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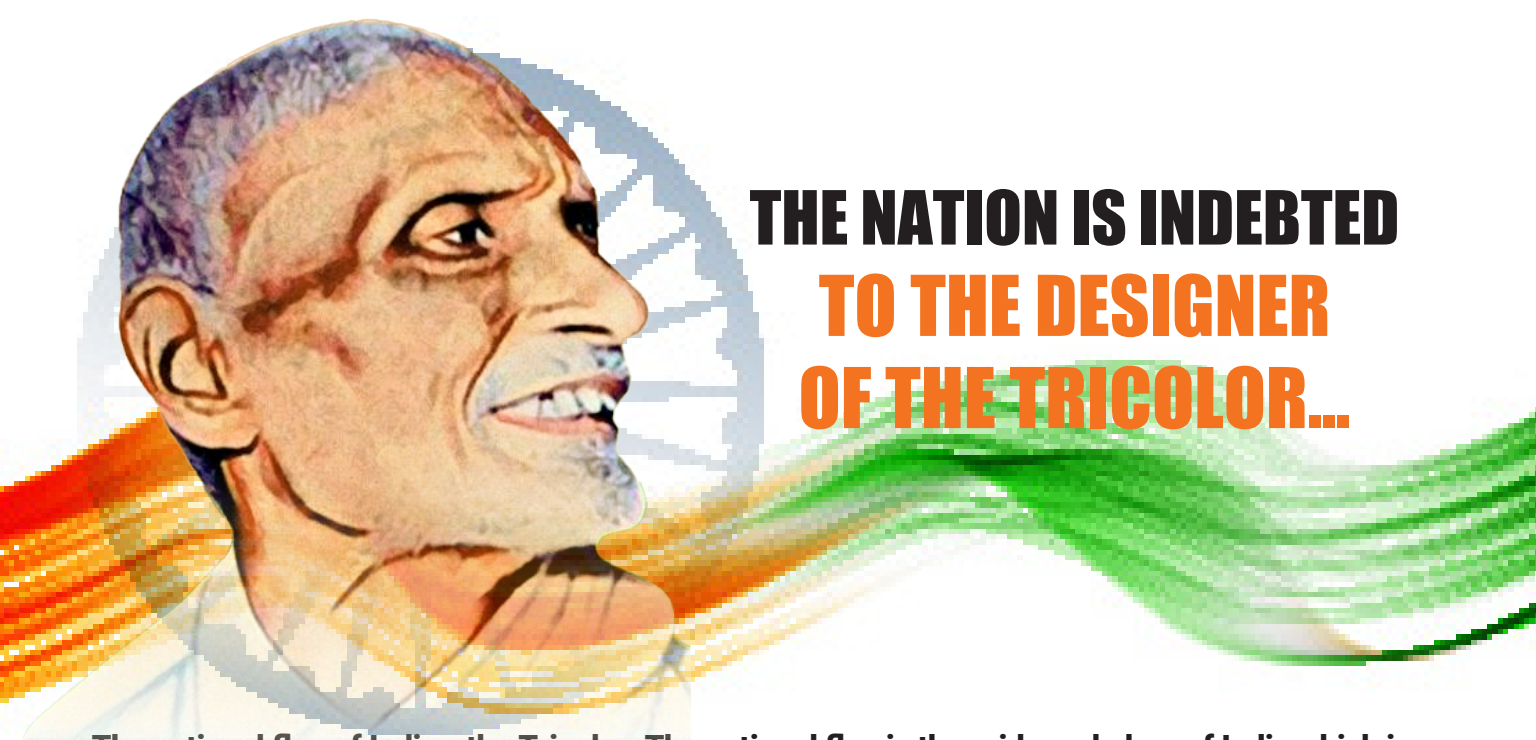
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DEVELOPMENT AND LEGACY ROOTED IN TRADITION

Celebrating 75 years of independence in the form of Amrit Mahotsav, the nation is moving towards golden age. Rich heritage and rapid development has positioned India as the new hope for the world



THE NATION IS INDEBTED TO THE DESIGNER OF THE TRICOLOR...

The national flag of India - the Tricolor. The national flag is the pride and glory of India which is made of three colors. It is also a symbol of courage, valor, pride, aspirations, and purity of over 130 crore Indians. The initial form of the flag was not like this. It has undergone many changes from time to time. Pingali Venkayya is the father of the original form of our tricolor which we see today. Born on 2 August 1876 in a village near the Krishna district of Andhra Pradesh, Pingali Venkayya was entrusted with the task of making the national flag by Mahatma Gandhi. In 1921 he prepared the flag. Some changes were made to it in the year 1931. The national flag of India was adopted in its original form on 22 July 1947.

THE DEVELOPMENT JOURNEY OF THE TRICOLOR

1906



1916



1931



1907



1921



1947



Andhra Pradesh is the land of veers & patriots. There were freedom fighters like Pingali Venkayya, who prepared the national flag of the country. This is the land of freedom fighters like Kanneganti Hanumantu, Kandukuri Veeresalingam Pantulu & Potti Sriramulu
-Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

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FROM EDITOR'S DESK

Greetings,

“उत्सवेन बिना यस्मात् स्थापनम् निष्फलम् भवेत्” means, no effort, no resolution can be successful without a celebration. When the resolution takes the form of a festival, then resolutions of lakhs and crores add to it, their energy gets mobilized. Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav promotes Jan Bhagidari i.e. "everyone's participation" which is at the heart of the spirit of any festival. With this spirit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi named the 75th year of independence as Amrit Mahotsav with an ambitious target of giving impetus to India's development journey and to realize the dream of a Golden age India. If a child can be imbued with the spirit of the struggle of the freedom movement, then throughout his life, he will be devoted to the cause of development of India.

The Government of India has made 75 years of Independence a unique landmark in the march of our great nation and has come up with new initiatives, programs, and competitions to give shape to the various schemes for the future so that in the next 25 years i.e. 2047 when India celebrates the centenary of independence, it positions itself as top nation of the world in every aspect. Amrit Yatra has been started with Amrit Kaal for the next 25 years. In this restless journey, India is determined to set new standards of self-reliance. This development journey is already leaving a mark as a rich and glorious legacy for tomorrow's New India.

On this 15th of August, as we complete 75 weeks of Amrit Mahotsav, how did India promote everyone's participation to make this festival of freedom a period of Amrit Sankalp. This is our cover story in the special issue of Independence Day.

In this edition read stories on the national poet and literary giant Maithili Sharan Gupta and Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya. Along with it also read about the new dawn of development in Jammu and Kashmir in the last three years since the abrogation of Article 370, Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Diwas, and development programmes dedicated to the nation by the Prime Minister.

Let's celebrate- 75 years of Independence, Unity, Development, and Democracy

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(Jaideep Bhatnagar)



MAIL BOX

I read New India Samachar regularly. By reading the articles which are orderly and excellent we are able to improve our writing abilities. Current affairs knowledge on various dimensions of social, economic, political, historical, and foreign relations is available.



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India with the world's largest youth population has given a new direction to skill development under the dynamic leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The youth of the nation are opening the doors of development and progress for themselves by improving their skills. On the occasion of the completion of seven years of the Skill India Mission, its entire journey has been beautifully published by the editorial team in the form of the cover story in the issue of "New India Samachar" from July 1-15. The new system opening the way for recruitment in the defense sector by the cabinet, the Amrit Mahotsav, the War against Covid, and the gift of various development schemes by Prime Minister Modi have been included in this issue, for which I congratulate the entire editorial team.



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Got a chance to read New India Samachar for the first time. It has a great and unique presentation style. Not a single article is out of context in the entire issue. The editing in the magazine has been done well. I am sure this magazine will get more appreciation. Please maintain this quality.



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Received the July 1-15 issue of New India Samachar. This is a great magazine and I try to read the whole magazine. I loved the cover story focused on skill development in this issue. Along with this, new energy was infused by reading the story of the heroes of the freedom struggle in the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav section. All articles in the magazine were excellent including Digital India.



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Indian Toys in the International Market

PRIME MINISTER MODI'S APPEAL COMES TO FRUITION. EXPORT OF INDIAN TOYS INCREASES BY 61%

It was in August 2020, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi moved the people in his "Mann Ki Baat" programme, saying, "The toy industry in the world is worth about 7 lakh crore rupees, and the Indian share of this is very small. In a country that has such a huge heritage, tradition, diversity, and a young population, our country's share is so low. It does not sound good. We have to take it forward together." With this appeal from the Prime Minister, a new story of India's self-reliance in the toy sector was written.

Month long Toycathon, the country's first toy fair, 100 percent foreign investment allowed, toy cluster, mandatory certification on the import of foreign toys, innovation in Indian toys, and new beginnings in the digital gaming sector. The effects of these initiatives are now visible. Toys worth \$371 million were imported into India in 2018-19, but this figure has dropped by 70% to \$110 million in 2021-22. The export of Indian toys to overseas markets was 202 million in 2018-19; with a growth of 61% it reached \$326 million in 2021-22.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE STRENGTHENS NATIONAL SECURITY, 75 AI-ENABLED PRODUCTS LAUNCHED

Artificial intelligence (AI)-based defence products will be crucial in future wars. With this in mind, the AI Task Force was formed in 2018 to develop a strategy for promoting artificial intelligence in the defence sector. Production in India was prioritised for self-reliance in the defence sector, and then startups and foreign investment avenues were opened to promote innovation. As a result of this, while the export of Indian defence products has increased, the army's needs for cutting-edge equipment have also been met. Defense exports have crossed the highest ever figure of Rs 13,000 crore in the financial year 2021-22. Of this, 70% of

the contribution has come from the private sector and the remaining 30% from the public sector. On July 11, Defense Minister Rajnath Singh launched 75 products or technologies equipped with artificial intelligence. These include AI platform automation in autonomous/unmanned/robotics systems, block chain-based automation, command, control, communications, computer and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, cyber security, human behavioural analysis, intelligent monitoring systems, lethal autonomous weapons systems, and logistics and supply chain management products and systems.

NATIONAL EMBLEM ASHOKA PILLAR UNVEILED ON THE ROOF OF THE NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE

India is the world's largest democracy, and Parliament is its temple. The outline of the new Parliament House and Central Vista Project was laid out by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Its construction began as a reflection of the fundamental thinking of a new and self-reliant India. On July 11, PM Narendra Modi unveiled the Ashoka Pillar, India's national emblem, which has been installed at the top of this new building. This national symbol is made of bronze and measures 21 feet tall, 9500 kg in weight, and 3.3 to 4.3 metres in diameter. While the hopes of a new India will be realised by the new Parliament House, this national icon will continue to motivate us to preserve India's unity, integrity, and sovereignty.

SWEET REVOLUTION: INDIA AMONG TOP 10 HONEY PRODUCING NATIONS

Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, many other agricultural products are being promoted in addition to traditional farming in order to increase the income of farmers in the country. One of them is honey production, which not only provides farmers employment but also allows them to export their honey abroad. Indeed, international demand for honey and its products has increased significantly, with approximately half of the country's production exported each year. As a result of efforts to promote the 'Sweet Revolution' in the country, honey exports increased from Rs 124 crore in 2013 to Rs 309 crore in 2022, representing a 149 percent increase in honey exports during this period. India is the world's ninth largest honey exporter.

GUJARAT AND KARNATAKA RANK FIRST IN THE STARTUP RANKINGS

Campaigns like Make in India and Self-Reliant India could not even be imagined a few years ago, so words like startup were not even in the common man's vocabulary. At the same time, India has emerged as the world's startup capital in the last eight years. India is now the world's third largest startup ecosystem, with 73079 startups and 101 unicorns. The ranking was launched in 2018 to boost the startup ecosystem in the states. The list of the best performing states and union territories in the field of startups in 2021 was recently released. Gujarat and Karnataka are

at the top of the list. According to the Startup India website, there are over 14,200 startups registered in Gujarat, accounting for 6.70 percent of all startups. Meghalaya topped the Union Territories and North Eastern States category. The ranking took into account factors such as institutional collaboration, fostering innovation and entrepreneurship, market access, incubation collaboration, financial support, and mentorship. The complete ranking list is available at <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1839259>. ■

MAHATMA GANDHI CALLED HIM THE 'NATIONAL POET'



(BORN: 03 AUGUST 1886, DEATH: 12 DECEMBER 1964)

Maithili Sharan Gupt ... the glittering star, is a revered figure in Hindi literature.

His writing inspired the citizens to fight for freedom. Mahatma Gandhi honoured him with the title of national poet. A Tribute to great poet Maithili Sharan Gupt on his 136th birth anniversary

Chirgaon town of Jhansi district is no less than a pilgrimage place for crores of Hindi lovers today where Maithili Sharan Gupt was born who inspired the freedom movement with his dynamic writing. National poet Maithili Sharan Gupt was born here on 3 August 1886. He was the third child of Seth Ramcharan Kanakne and Kaushalya Bai. His father was a devotee of Rama and a lover of poetry. Maithili Sharan Gupt's studies remained incomplete due to more focus on sports in school. In such a situation, instead of school, he got the knowledge of Hindi, Sanskrit, English, and Bengali language through a private teacher at home. He had once said, "Why would I study. I am not born to read. People will read me." These things he said in childhood became true in the latter part of his life.

THE JOURNEY FROM 'RASIKENDRA' TO MAITHILI SHARAN GUPT

It is about those days when Braj Bhasha

dominated literature, especially poetry. At that time, Pandit Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi, the leader of Khari Boli, was running a movement across the country regarding the Hindi language. Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi used to work in Jhansi Railway and from there he also used to take responsibility for editing Saraswati Patrika published by Nagripracharani Sabha. Saraswati used to be published from Allahabad (now Prayagraj), then it was an honor for any writer to get his literary work published in Saraswati. One day Maithili Sharan Gupt courageously went to meet Mahavir Prasad ji, where an interesting dialogue took place between the two. Gupt Ji said - My name is Maithili Sharan Gupt, I write poetry and I want you to publish my poems in Saraswati. On this Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi said - Many people want their writings to be published in Saraswati but not everyone gets a chance and then you write in Braj Bhasha. We print articles only in Khari Boli. On this Maithili Sharan said - If

I get assurance of publishing, I will write poetry in Khari language, I will send my compositions in the name of Rasikendra. He received the answer - If it is worthy of being published, then it will definitely be published. He was also told that the poem should be sent in his real name instead of any pen name. On being asked by Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi, for the first time, Maithili Sharan Gupta wrote a poem in Khari Boli titled Hemant, which Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi published in Saraswati after some modifications. After the publication of Hemant, his literary work was published in Saraswati regularly. Soon he became popular as Dadda because of his devoted service to the cause of Hindi.

DADDA'S DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE HINDI LANGUAGE

Between 1905 and 1925, the poems of Maithili Sharan Gupta continued to be published in Saraswati. From his first poem, Hemant to Jayadratha, Bharat Bharati, and Saket, all the works were published in Saraswati before being published in the form of a book. About his attachment to Mahavir Prasad and Saraswati Patrika, Gupta wrote in the foreword to Saket - How did Tulsidas also do Manas-Naad? If he does not get Mahavir's prasada. Although all the compositions of Maithili Sharan Gupta are timeless, the poem Rang Mein Bhang, which came in 1910, is full of energy and enthusiasm. In 1921, Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi resigned from the editor post while Maithili Sharan Gupta started writing openly against the British empire.

Hearing the name of today's Chittor, some magic sparkles in mind.

Jayadratha-Vadh came after Rang Mein Bhang. He expressed his anguish about the partition of Bengal in 1905 through Jayadratha-Vadh.

First of all, say 'Jai Janki Jeevan' everywhere. Then let the teachings of the modesty of the ancestors flow in waves. Grief, sorrow, whenever it comes, bear it all patiently. Why will there not be success? Be firm on the path of duty.

Losing the right and quietly accepting it is a great misdeed. Punishing your brother for the misdeed is also Dharma

Maithili Sharan Gupta was at the peak of popularity after Jayadratha-Vadh, but in 1914, Bharat Bharati secured him a place among the top poets of the country. The popularity of Bharat Bharti was such that all the copies were sold instantly and within 2 months the second edition

had to be published. Bharat Bharati was sung in national movements, educational institutions, and morning prayers. Even illiterate people from villages had memorized it after hearing it. After Mahatma Gandhi's non-cooperation movement, when the Jhanda Satyagraha took place in Nagpur, all the Satyagrahis would perform Satyagraha in the procession singing Bharat Bharati songs. The British government banned Bharat Bharati and confiscated all copies. Bharat Bharati is still a historical document of cultural renaissance in the literary world.

मानस भवन में आर्यजन जिसकी उतारें आरतीं। भगवान्! भारतवर्ष में गुंजे हमारी भारती।।

हो भद्रभावौद्धाविनी वह भारती हे भवगते। सीतापते! सीतापते!! गीतामते! गीतामते!!

In 1914, Shakuntala and two years later, a collection of poems named Kisan was published. The depiction of the plight of Indian farmers has been realistically portrayed in it. In 1933 he wrote legendary and historical poetry collections like Dwapar and Siddharaj.

So far, he had written about 10 thousand lines of stories, novels, poems, essays, autobiographical excerpts, and epics. In the meantime, he completed 50 years. Literature lovers across the country celebrated the 50th birthday of Maithili Sharan Gupta with pomp and grandeur from Banaras to Chirgaon. On this occasion, the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi honored Maithili Sharan Gupta with the title of National Poet. Since then Maithili Sharan Gupta has been recognized as a national poet. He was given the most recognized Hindi award for Saket by Hindi Sahitya Sammelan in 1937. In 1954 he was given Padma Bhushan. Speaking about the opportunities available during the Corona period, during his speech in the Rajya Sabha, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, referring to Maithili Sharan Gupta said - "When I am discussing opportunities, then I want to recite the poem of Maithili Sharan Gupta. Gupta Ji had said- Opportunity stands for you, yet you are silent. Your field of action is big, moment by moment it is priceless, oh India, wake up, open your eyes. This is written by Maithili Sharan Gupta. But I was wondering in this period, if he had to write at the beginning of the 21st century, what would he have written - I imagine that he would write - the opportunity stands for you, you are full of confidence. Break every obstacle, every restriction, Oh India, run on the path of self-reliance. ■



JAMMU - KASHMIR AND LADAKH A NEW DAWN OF DEVELOPMENT

Three years ago, on August 5, the concept of 'Ek Bharat-Shreshtha Bharat' was further strengthened when the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government, bridging the gap of decades, removed Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, which were left behind in the race for development. In the last three years, this region has progressed rapidly on the path of development along with the rest of the country and the new dawn of development is visible in the nation as well as in Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.

A new era of development has started in Jammu and Kashmir and it is fast moving on the path of development-peace. After the abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that there would be a fresh impetus to employment and prosperity in the area. Three years ago, from August 5, an ecosystem of development was promoted in Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh, and a lot of employment opportunities were created. 7 new medical colleges and 5 new nursing colleges have been sanctioned in J&K and the number of medical seats has almost doubled from 500.

Several hydroelectric projects have been commissioned in Jammu and Kashmir, which will benefit the industries as well as increase revenue. With the development of agriculture, the income of the people here will increase which will boost the economy. One Nation, One Ration Card scheme has been implemented by Jammu and Kashmir, while Ujjwala, DBT, Saubhagya, and many other schemes have been implemented 100 percent in Jammu and Kashmir. Prime Minister Modi has made an ambitious plan, which envisages providing clean

drinking water to every household by 2024, and the Government of Jammu and Kashmir is going to fulfill this target by August 15, 2022. Jammu and Kashmir is the only state or UT in India where every person has got the benefit of the Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Yojana. Under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Urban and Rural, houses are being provided to the people.

To understand what has changed after the abrogation of Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir, one has to look at the pace of development and the standard of living of the people in the last 70 years. In 70 years, about 2,20,000 families of Jammu and Kashmir could not get even basic facilities like houses, toilets, electricity, and water, but Prime Minister Narendra Modi provided all these necessary facilities to the people in 2-3 years. Democracy in Jammu and Kashmir has reached every village. The hill people never used to get the benefit of reservation, but now they are getting it. Electricity is reaching every house in Jammu and Kashmir.

While preparing the plan of industrial development in J&K, care has been taken that those who set up industries in less developed areas should get more benefits, so that there can be an all-inclusive and all-around development of Jammu and Kashmir. J&K now also has a UT cadre, which will ensure the availability of adequate manpower. Also, Hindi and English have been given official language status along with Urdu and Dogri, which will make work easier. The elections to the three-tier panchayat system in Jammu and Kashmir were conducted peacefully. Today everyone is exercising their rights. These elections marked a new beginning of development in Jammu and Kashmir. Due to improved peace and security in Jammu and Kashmir, the tourists' footfall has increased. The tourism industry is attaining its rightful place. Those places are being identified in Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh which can become top tourism destinations. 137 mountain peaks of the Himalayas have been opened for foreign tourists, out of which 15 peaks are from Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh. The plan for the first Central University with a Buddhist Studies Center in

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NEW CHAPTER OF GOOD GOVERNANCE:

50276

Jammu and Kashmir became the benchmark for the country in the Good Governance Index

Project Projects were completed in 2021-22, while 12367 projects were completed in 2019-20.

Big leap in the energy sector

3500

MW generation so far, which is targeted to double in the next three years and triple in the next 7 years.



In 2019-20, 1325 km of roads were built under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, which increased to 3284 km in 2021-22. Under this scheme, 125 bridges will be constructed to connect remote areas.

84 projects were approved by NABARD in 2019-20, while in 2021-22, 400 projects were approved. More than 200 services made online to develop single window facilities.

Agriculture and farmer's prosperity

- J&K has been ranked third in terms of monthly income from agriculture, while in terms of agriculture and allied sectors, it has become the 5th best performing state-Union Territory.
- Saffron of Kashmir got a GI tag and an increase in production doubled the income of saffron growers. The scope of benefits of Kisan Credit Card, PM Kisan Yojana increased rapidly. One paddy thresher was given free of cost in 4219 panchayats. Other local agricultural products are being promoted globally.

TOWARDS PROSPERITY IN THE HEALTH SECTOR

At a cost of Rs 7177 crore 2 new AIIMS, 10 new nursing colleges, 2 state cancer institutes, 7 new medical colleges, 5 nursing colleges are being upgraded and 274 other projects have been kept under capital expenditure

Health infrastructure is being upgraded at the district level at a cost of Rs 881 crore, out of total 140 projects 132 have been completed and the rest will be completed in 2022-23.

- Health, the policy for investment in AYUSH has been approved, and the policy for drug de-addiction has also been approved.

- The number of oxygen plants was 24 in 2020 which increased to 173 and its capacity also increased from 14916 LPM to 1,34,916 LPM.
- In cases affected by Covid 418 pensions and 414 scholarship from PM Cares Fund has been sanctioned.
- Special assistance scheme for the family who lost the main bread earner to Covid.

IMPRESSIVE ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

More than

600

construction related works were completed under Samagra Shiksha.

59

Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya and 23 Hostels.

38000

Teachers were regularized in J&K.



Health cards were issued for the first time to over 12 lakh students. Transfer-appointment process made transparent and online.

- 4000 schools were equipped with solar energy. Atal Tinkering Labs will be set up in 500 schools by March 2023. Establishment of 6 Eklaya Model Residential Schools, and 200 smart schools in tribal areas.
- IIT-IIM was established in record time. For the first time, 50 new colleges were started, in which 25 thousand additional seats were added in a year. New National Education Policy was implemented.



Equal rights and opportunities for women

- More than 5 lakh women from 60 thousand self-help groups received benefit.
- 'Hausla' initiative gives women entrepreneurs an opportunity to carve a niche for themselves. The process to give a loan of Rs 1.58 Crore to the first batch is going on.
- This includes access to financial assistance, linking with banks, policy incentives, assistance under Mission Youth, linking to e-commerce platforms, etc.
- With initiatives like Digipay Sakhi, Krishi Sakhi, Pashu Sakhi, and Umeed Mahila Haat, new opportunities for women created in different fields.

ATTRACTIVE CENTER FOR INVESTMENT

Proposals for Rs 52000 crores investment were received, which will create 2.37 Lakhs of job opportunities. This includes projects worth Rs 14500 crore for the Kashmir division and Rs 21600 crore for the project in the Jammu division.

Ladakh is getting ready. The long pending demand for Union Territory status to Ladakh has also been fulfilled and Ladakh is on the path of progress.

Three years ago on 5th August, the Central Government took a very far-sighted decision and under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra

Modi, a new era of development started in Jammu and Kashmir, especially in the Valley. Its wide impact will be seen even better by the year 2024. Union Home Minister Amit Shah says, "Kashmir resides in the heart of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, whenever he talks, he says whether all the schemes are reaching

New opportunities for youth

- Mumkin, Tejaswani, Rise Together, Volunteer Program, etc. are giving opportunities to the youth to move forward. Placement initiatives in the corporate world with the help of platforms like AVSAR. Facility to 100 help administrative service aspirants.
- Through various schemes at the rural level, villagers are being empowered by giving them new means of employment and opportunities. The recruitment drive is going on in a big way in a transparent manner for employing qualified candidates.
- More than 17 lakh youth were associated with sports activities and 1.26 lakh youth are getting coaching. Indoor sports complex in every district, playground in every panchayat, and stadium in the state alongwith facilities of international standard.

“For us, the decision of August 5 is firm and the determination to take Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh on a new path is also unshakable. On August 5, the entire Constitution of India came into force in Jammu and Kashmir, the entire law came into force, and we removed the biggest obstacle in the development of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh for 70 years, on August 5. ”

- **Narendra Modi**, Prime Minister

DEMOCRATIC DECENTRALIZATION

- Panchayati Raj law was implemented at all three levels. District plan was approved for all 20 districts and the budget doubled to Rs 12,600 crore.
- Insurance cover of Rs.25 lakh to public representatives and their families.
- A campaign has been started to make the government work completely paperless. 1000 Gram Panchayats have been connected with BharatNet.
- For the first time in the history of Jammu and Kashmir, the 150-year-old Darbar Move system has been abolished. Due to having two bi-annual capitals, all the goods were shifted by trucks. Due to this, the government expenditure increased.

properly or not, he asks whether the benefits of all the schemes reach Jammu and Kashmir like the rest of the states of India or not. At the same time, the new Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh are also determined to come out of the shackles of the past, which is strengthening its present and preparing

itself for the future. Earlier, terrorists dominated Pulwama and now AIIMS is being built in Pulwama at a cost of 2,000 crores. Colleges were closed for the youth, today IIT, NIFT, etc. are coming up at a cost of about 900 crores. Along with this, two AIIMS and Medical colleges have also come up here. ■

EQUALITY AND JUSTICE TO ALL

- By changing the provisions of reservation its ambit was expanded. 4% to Pahari speakers, 10% to economically weaker sections.
- Its coverage for other social classes was increased from 2 to 4%. The coverage of people living near the Line of Control on the border increased from 3 to 4%.
- The income limit for reservation for OBCs has been increased from Rs 4.5 lakh to Rs.8 lakh.
- Tribal reservation in assembly seats according to population.
- So far 5,36,4336 permanent resident certificates issued.
- Two tribal museums, 2 tribal buildings, up-gradation of 15 hostels, emphasis on infrastructure development in 60 villages.

TOURISM GETS A BOOST

Record number of tourists arrived by air. From October 2021 to March 2022, more than 79 lakh tourists visited Jammu and Kashmir. In December 2021 alone, the number of passengers arriving at Srinagar airport exceeded 3.24 lakh.

75 offbeat tourist centers are being developed. Tourism was promoted by organizing houseboat festivals, Sufi programs, literature, and other festivals.



NAMA SHIVAYA!

Lord Mahadev's city of Deoghar gets the gift of an airport just before Shravan, schemes worth over Rs 16000 crore also launched simultaneously in Jharkhand

High-speed connectivity not only connects cities, but it also enables their growth. Previously, rapid modes of transportation, such as air service, were restricted to large cities; however, the "UDAN" scheme has expanded to include small and medium-sized cities.

This story of change is being written not only in the field of connectivity and infrastructure but also in the vision of the development of those symbols of faith, the witness of which has now become Deoghar, the city of Lord Mahadev after Kushinagar, the city of Lord Buddha.

Everyone feels happy after visiting Baba Dham, the city of Baba Baidyanath, which is one of Lord Shiva's 12 Jyotirlingas. This major religious and spiritual centre in India is now directly connected by air service. On July 12, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated Deoghar airport. He is the country's first Prime Minister to visit the Baba Baidyanath Dham Temple and pay obeisance. He also inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for projects worth Rs 16,800 crore in Jharkhand.

The development of facilities in Baba Baidyanath Dham is also being done under the PRASHAD scheme of the Ministry of Tourism. This airport in Deoghar has been built as part of the UDAN scheme, which was launched to connect the country's small and medium-sized cities. On July 12, air service from this airport also began. This is Jharkhand's second airport. This is part of the same Central Government vision in which, in addition to connectivity, special attention is being paid to the creation of facilities at important places in the country related to faith and spirituality.

Inaugurating the airport, Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Deoghar is the second airport in Jharkhand. In 2018 PM Modi had laid the foundation



- On May 25, 2018, Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation for the development of the Deoghar airport. It has been built at a cost of Rs 401 crore by the Airport Authority of India. Deoghar Airport covers an area of 657 acres. This includes the construction of runway. It is 2,500 metres long and 45 metres wide. This runway can handle both Airbus A320 and Boeing 737 aircraft.
- The prime minister dedicated the In-Patient Department (IPD) and operation theatre services at AIIMS, Deoghar to the nation. The AIIMS in Deoghar is a boon to the entire local health sector.
- The Prime Minister inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple road projects worth over Rs 10,000 crore.
- Inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various energy infrastructure projects worth around Rs. 3000 crore for the region.
- Dedicated two Railway projects – Godda - Hansdiha Electrified Section and Garhwa-Mahuria Doubling project to the nation.

ORDINARY PEOPLE ARE NOW ABLE TO TRAVEL BY PLANE

- About 70 new locations have been added through airports, heliports and water aerodromes in the last 5-6 years under the UDAN scheme.
- So far, one crore passengers have flown at a low cost under the UDAN scheme. Millions of them have seen the airport for the first time and boarded a plane for the first time.
- Today, ordinary citizens are getting the facility of air travel on more than 400 new routes.

said, "With the blessings of Baba Baidyanath today, projects worth more than Rs 16,000 crore have been inaugurated and the foundation stone has been laid." In the last eight years, the same thinking and spirit has been paramount in the effort to connect Jharkhand by highway, railway, airway, and waterway.

Although the Deoghar airport and other development projects will begin in Jharkhand, they will directly benefit many areas in Bihar and West Bengal. In other words, these projects will hasten the development of eastern India. The fate of the tribal area is about to change, with such modern facilities. ■

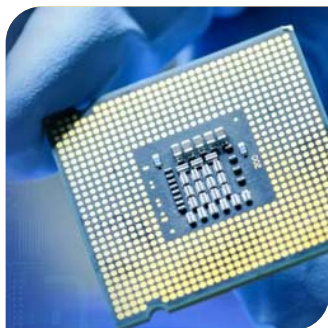
Address at the centennial celebrations of the Bihar Legislative Assembly

First Prime Minister to visit the Bihar Assembly

Union and state relations are one of the most beautiful aspects of Indian democracy. This beauty could be seen at the end of the Bihar Legislative Assembly's centennial celebrations on July 12, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke here. He is the first prime minister to visit the Bihar assembly complex.

"When the understanding of democratic rights began to develop in other parts of the world, republics such as the Lichchavi and Vajji were at their peak. When large parts of the world were taking their first steps towards civilization and culture, a refined democracy was operating in Vaishali."

These words of Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Bihar Vidhan Sabha centenary celebrations are enough to demonstrate the importance of Bihar for democracy. Bihar will not accept anything that is anti-democratic. Even after independence, Bihar maintained its stance. The Prime Minister also dedicated the centennial memorial pillar in the assembly. Along with this, he laid the foundation for the Assembly Guest House and a museum. The various galleries of this museum will display the history of democracy in Bihar as well as the evolution of the current civic structure.



Digital India

GUJARAT TO BECOME HUB FOR SEMI-CONDUCTOR CHIP MANUFACTURING

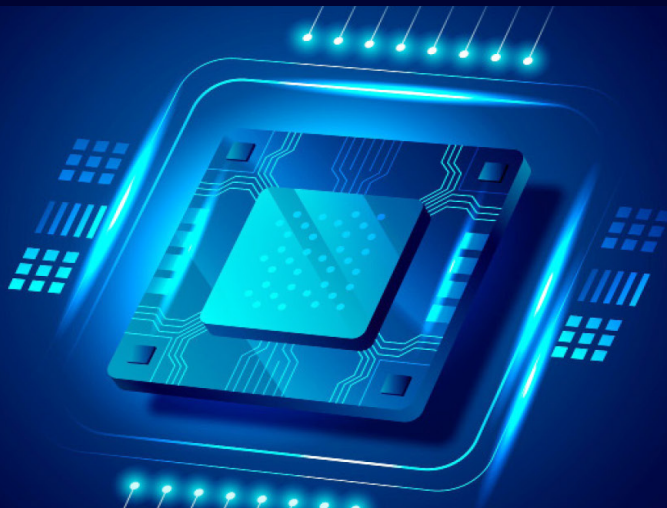
India has shown the world that the effective use of technology can bring revolutionary changes for the benefit of humanity with its flagship scheme Digital India. This campaign, which started eight years ago, has been expanding with the changing times. This is the reason that today 40 percent of the world's digital transactions take place in India. The transparency that has come from Digital India has freed the poor and middle class from corruption at many levels. Now India is moving ahead as a semi-conductor chip manufacturing hub. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched several initiatives related to Digital India with the inauguration of Digital India Week in Gandhinagar on 4th July.

Today the Indian economy is setting new dimensions due to the rapid growth in digital transactions. Today every section of society is benefiting from the ease of transactions with one click through mobile phones. Gurcharan Singh is a businessman. He says, "Today is the era of buttons. Today every customer asks- Where is the QR code? At the same time, the facility of the Common Service Center (CSC) under the Digital India campaign has made the life of common people much easier. This has also provided a better means of livelihood to the people living in rural areas at the local level. Rishi Raj, CSC Director of Muzaffarpur in Bihar, says, "Due to this, people have got employment and rural areas have got facilities. People from our rural areas used to go outside to get their work done. Now their work gets done here. People are very happy with this." Actually, Digital India has brought a positive change in the lives of the people.

It was only 8-10 years ago when there used to be a queue for a birth certificate, bill submission, ration, admission, result, and banks too, now India has found the remedy to those long queues through the online medium of Digital India.

Today, various facilities like life certificates for senior citizens, reservations, banking, etc. have become accessible, fast, and affordable by going digital.

Inaugurating the Digital India Week 2022 in Gandhinagar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi while stating the importance of Digital India said that with the passage of time, the country which does not adopt modern technology, time moves ahead leaving it behind. India was a victim of this during the Third Industrial Revolution. But today we can proudly say that India is guiding the world in the fourth industrial revolution- Industry 4.0. The Prime Minister said, "I am glad that this



Several initiatives launched in Gandhinagar

CHIPS TO STARTUP (C2S) PROGRAM

The first group of 30 institutions were announced. Under this program, this group will be helped in the field of semiconductor chip manufacturing.

DIGITAL INDIA GENESIS

The Prime Minister launched 'Digital India Genesis' (Gen-Next Support for Innovative Startups) - a National Deep-tech Startup Platform

ORGANIZED 'DIGITAL INDIA BHASHINI'

Initiative to enrich Indian languages. 'Digital India BHASHINI' was launched, which will enable easy access to the internet and digital services in Indian languages.

INDIASTACK.GLOBAL PORTAL

Launch of 'Indiastack.global', which will have the facilities of Aadhaar, UPI, DigiLocker, CoWIN Vaccine Platform, Government e-Marketplace (GeM), DIKSHA Platform, and Ayushman Bharat Digital Health Mission.

LAUNCH OF 'MYSCHEME'

Prime Minister launched 'MyScheme'. It is a service discovery platform, which facilitates access to government schemes.

LAUNCH OF 'MERI PEHCHAAN'

The Prime Minister also launched 'Meri Pehchaan' - National Single Sign On providing one citizen login. National Single Sign-On (NSSO) is a user authentication service.

PROGRAM ON NATURAL FARMING IN SURAT

NATURAL FARMING OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE MOTHER EARTH- GAU MATA

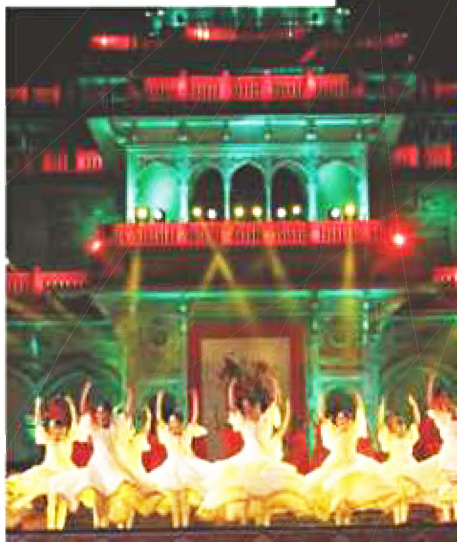
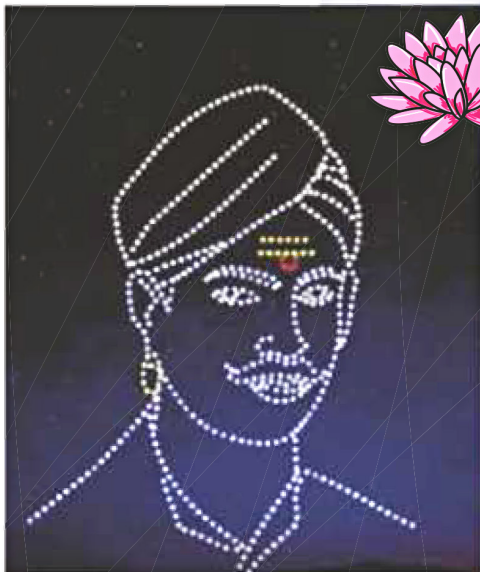
Natural farming is not only empowering our farmers financially but also protecting our soil and environment. Addressing the Natural Farming Conference in Surat on July 10, Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged the farmers to come forward and adopt natural farming.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed a conference on Natural Farming in Surat, Gujarat. PM Modi said, "Adopting natural farming is like serving Mother Earth." Actually, India has been an agriculture-based country by nature and culture and people's campaigns related to natural farming will be very successful in the coming years. This is the reason why Prime Minister Narendra Modi says, "When you do natural farming, you serve Mother Earth, protect the quality of the soil, the health of the land, its productivity. When you join natural farming, you easily get the privilege of serving Gau Mata."

campaign, which started eight years ago, has been expanding itself with the changing times." Through Digital India, the country is moving at a fast pace towards future India, modern India, prosperous and strong India, preparing to move forward in that direction. Not only this, India is

working on the target of increasing electronic manufacturing to more than \$ 300 billion in the next three-four years. India now wants to become a chip maker from a chip taker. Investment in India is increasing rapidly to boost the production of semiconductors. ■

FROM AMRIT MAHOTSAV TO GOLDEN AGE



By making the 75th anniversary of independence a celebration, the government, committed to realising the resolve of a new India, has given shape to the country's present and future plans with new initiatives and programmes. So that when the country celebrates the 100th anniversary of independence, the dream of a self-reliant India can come true with everyone's effort. But this grand structure, built on the foundation of independence, is not the nation's destination; it is the path; it is the beginning of a new India...

Let us know how Prime Minister Narendra Modi has ramped up the nation's development by transforming the 75th anniversary of independence celebration into a resolution with public participation. The rich heritage is giving way to a new identity, and "Sabka Prayas" is laying the foundation for a golden India.

As part of the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, the women of Lokhandi village in Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, set a unique example of environmental protection and rural development. During the rainy season, water used to accumulate on the village's barren government land. However, due to a lack of proper management, the water used to dry up quickly. With six months of hard work, 410 women from the village formed the Jal Saheli Self-Help Group and created a pond on this barren land. Rainwater has now begun to accumulate in it. They are rearing ducks as well as fish in this. It has been decided that 30% of the proceeds will go toward village development.

Similarly, the reading skills programme started as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav in Yamunanagar, Haryana, has started yielding positive results. The initiative to engage children in studying has now started moving forward. Children in government schools are now attempting to improve their skills by going above and beyond traditional education by reading knowledge-enhancing books outside of school. It has been decided to start a reading skills programme to upgrade the children of government schools in the field of education. All the children from class 3 to 8 are given half an hour to read a book every day in the library, which they read under the guidance of the teacher. Some children are showing an interest in poetry, some children's stories, or other books. And the children, after reading the books, narrate their stories in the morning prayer meeting.

Through this program, the children's talents for writing and reading are also being exposed. The Amrit Sarovar Yojana has been launched in the Kirmach village of Kurukshetra in Haryana. A budget of Rs 1.26 crore has been set aside for this purpose. The Amrit Sarovar scheme is being implemented during the Amrit Mahotsava of Independence to restore and beautify historic ponds. There will also be a one-of-a-kind effort to save every drop of water from this Amrit Sarovar Yojana, and these lakes will undoubtedly provide future generations with the gift of pure

THE AMRIT OF SERVICE, DEDICATION, AND DETERMINATION



THE WORLD'S LARGEST AND FASTEST COVID VACCINATION CAMPAIGN

- "Once the people of India decide to do something, nothing is impossible," Prime Minister Narendra Modi once said. By reaching the extraordinary target of 200 crore vaccine doses, the country has not only earned the Prime Minister's trust, but has also made the 75th anniversary of independence a memorable one. India has also supplied 24 crore vaccine doses to the world under Vaccine Maitri following the philosophy of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam.
- The world's largest and fastest vaccination campaign records also include a vaccination of 25 crore vaccine doses in a single day. The world's largest digital immunisation campaign has now set a new record by registering 110 crores on the CoWIN app. The first dose has been received by 98 percent of the population over the age of 18, while the second dose has been received by 90 percent of the population over the age of 18. On the other hand, the first dose has been 100% in 16 states/UTs, and the second dose has been 100% in 11 states.

6.55 CRORE TAP CONNECTIONS

Under the Jal Jeevan Mission from August 2019 till now.

PRIME MINISTER'S HOUSING SCHEME

More than 3 crore urban and rural houses approved under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana

11.5 CRORE TOILETS

Construction of 11.5 crore toilets under Swachh Bharat Mission.

STAND UP INDIA

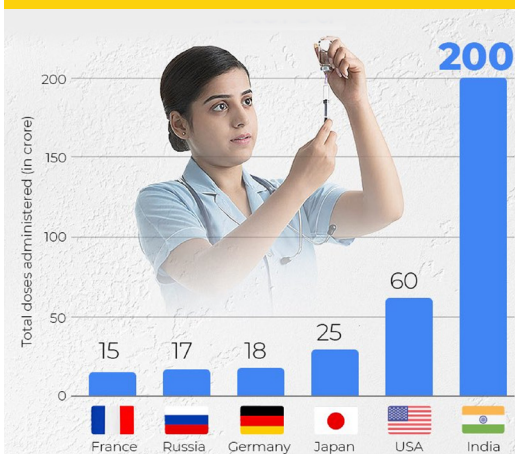
Loans of over Rs 5,300 crore to SC and ST beneficiaries.

12.89 CRORE

People got the benefit of PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana.

THE EKLAVYA RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

Five times more Eklavya residential schools approved than before 2014.



India made a record of 200 crore doses in one and a half years



About **35**

crore small entrepreneurs got loans under the Mudra Yojana to increase business.

water. Rajasthan Jeep Club organised a pledge programme at Amar Jawan Jyoti on July 1st to support the "Single Use Plastic Ban" as part of the Amrit Mahotsav series. Manufacturing, selling, depositing, and exporting of these items has been prohibited since July 1. This ban has been enacted in order to reduce pollution caused by single-use

plastic waste. Single-use plastic refers to plastic items that we can only use once or discard and that harm the environment. Cotton bags can be used instead of plastic bags in this case.

Countless such stories of change are propelling the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence. There has been a great participation of the general public in



- The number of recognised start-ups is 73,079.
- Best ever Olympic (7 medals) and Paralympic (19 medals) sporting performances at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.
- 7 new IIMs to be established by 2022 Total No. 20
- With 22 AIIMS, the number of AIIMS in India will soon triple.
- Creation of 23 lakh direct and indirect jobs by tech start ups between 2017-2021.
- 7 new IITs opened in the country, now a total of 23 IITs.
- 320 new universities established.
- 1,000 Khelo India Centers are being set up.
- Access to over 20,522 government services through UMANG App.
- Metro has increased from 5 cities in 2014 to now (2022) 27 cities.
- ODF status to 4,371 cities.
- 4268 projects completed for urban development under AMRUT.
- 3.26 lakh km of rural roads built since 2014.
- 111 waterways were declared as National Waterways under the National Waterways Act 2016.
- 500% increase in road transport and highway budget allocation since 2014.
- Not a single railway passenger died in 34 months.
- The speed of highway construction reached 37 km per day.
- More than 8,727 Jan Aushadhi Kendras.
- Protection of vaccines provided by Mission Indradhanush to over 5 crore mothers and children.
- Defense exports increased by 6 times.
- 22,500 Indians safely returned home from Ukraine.
- Cash transfer in the account of 20 crore women during the lockdown.
- 4.63 lakh Common Service Centers operating under Digital India.
- The world's largest solar park started in Bhadla, Rajasthan Capacity: 2,200 MW
- More than 21 crore sanitary pads made available at Rs 1 at Jan Aushadhi Kendras

More than 1 Crore people have benefited from low-cost air travel under the UDAN scheme

Under Bharat Net, 5.67 lakh km of optical fiber cable has been laid across the country.

Rs 100 lakh crore for infrastructure alongwith PM GatiShakti Master Plan.

17.9 crore people got health cards under Ayushman Bharat. Created more than 22 crore digital health IDs.

45.21 crore Jan Dhan accounts opened. 28.61 crore people included in the PM Suraksha Bima Yojana.

11.78 crore farmers get the benefit of the PM Kisan scheme, 23 Crore Soil health cards issued

For a clean environment, India has pledged to achieve zero emissions by 2070.

Solar power installed capacity has increased by 1,900% since 2014. Nearly 70% reduction in solar energy rates.

the freedom movement, and symbols such as the spinning wheel and salt have helped to connect the people with the freedom struggle. The decision of the government of India to celebrate 75 years of independence as Amrit Mahotsav has also become a symbol of the same, which is now moving towards making the nation a new India

from Amrit Yatra till the golden year. The Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav has now become the Amrit of energy, the Amrit of new ideas, the Amrit of new resolutions, and the Amrit of self-reliance. India has begun the development journey toward building a grand and glorious nation by laying the groundwork in the Amrit Mahotsava year so that

BEGINNING OF A NEW JOURNEY WITH NEW RESOLUTIONS IN AMRIT YEAR

Pradhan Mantri GatiShakti



The GatiShakti National Master Plan was launched with the goal of ensuring no delays in development projects and promoting better coordination in government for the first time, by connecting 16 ministries and departments through digital mediums. Every infrastructure project to be built anywhere in the country will come under its purview. This scheme will also fulfil several ambitious targets of the government which it wants to achieve by 2024-2025. This master plan also includes the National Infrastructure Pipeline Plan worth more than Rs 100 lakh crore.

Agnipath Scheme

With the spirit of a strong army and a strong nation, this scheme was announced on June 16, 2022. The army of the country with an 18 percent youth population should also be young. In the first recruitment process since the announcement of the scheme 46,000 Agniveers will be recruited for 4 years. The intake of Agniveers will be increased gradually. In this, 25% of Agniveers will be given a permanent commission in the army.

PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission



To improve the healthcare system of the country from block level to district-state and central level, this scheme was started by PM Narendra Modi from Varanasi on October 25, 2021. 64 thousand crore rupees will be spent on the scheme in five years. Under this scheme, critical care blocks will be formed in 75 districts of UP.

COOPERATIVES WILL ATTAIN NEW HEIGHTS

Prime Minister Narendra Modi formed the Ministry of Cooperation for the first time in the country with the goal of making cooperatives an essential part of development. This ministry formed keeping in mind the mantra of 'Sahakar Se Samridhi', will support a true public participation-based movement.

AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL HEALTH MISSION

Information related to the health of every citizen will be available in digital format. Starting on 27 September 2021, the scheme has been implemented across the country. Along the lines of the Aadhar card, this card will have all the information related to the health of the person, which will be able to assess with a unique ID in one click. About 22 crore health accounts have been opened.

Amrit Kaal's development journey becomes a rich and glorious legacy of India of tomorrow.

The purpose of this Amrit Mahotsav, which began on the anniversary of Dandi Yatra, 75 weeks before Independence, on March 12, 2021, was also very pious. When 130 crore countrymen join

the Amrit Mahotsava of independence, they draw inspiration from millions of freedom fighters, and the desire to achieve the greatest goals is strong. This 75th anniversary of independence is like an elixir for the current generation. It has become such an elixir that it inspires people to live for and

Admission of girls in Sainik Schools



The Central Government has started the admission of girls in Sainik Schools from the academic session 2021-2022. Similarly, for the first time in the NDA exam in November 2021, girls also appeared in which Shanan of Haryana topped the women's batch.

PM POSHAN scheme

11.80 crore children from 11.20 lakh schools are covered under this scheme. In this scheme which started on 29th September 2021, it has now been decided to provide nutritious fortified rice. The budget of this scheme is Rs 1.30 lakh crore.

River Linking Project

Interlinking of rivers envisions transferring water from water 'surplus' basins where there is flooding to water 'deficit' basins where there is drought. For this 30 links were identified under which the implementation of the first project Ken Betwa link has been approved by the cabinet with the budget on December 8, 2021.

Pradhan Mantri SVAMITVA Yojana

In rural areas, those who do not have any proof of ownership of land, are being given ownership cards under this scheme started on April 24, 2021. Under the scheme, survey work has been completed with the help of drones in more than 1.35 lakh villages and more than 36 lakh property cards have been distributed.

Dam Safety Act

In order to ensure that the dams in the country are safe, maintenance is ensured and the disputes between the states come to an end, the Central Government has enacted the Dam Safety Act, 2021. This act has been made effective across the country with effect from December 30, 2021. There are 5334 major dams and 411 under construction dams in the country.

Mission Shakti

It is an integrated program of empowerment of women taking into account the issues affecting the sustainability of the life cycle of women. This umbrella scheme consists of two sub-schemes namely Sambal and Saksham. An expenditure of Rs 15,761 crore has been approved on this scheme from the financial year 2021-2022 to 2025-2026.

PLI

In order to increase India's manufacturing capacity and exports under the goal of an AatmaNirbhar India, an expenditure of Rs 1.97 lakh crore has been announced in the PLI scheme for 13 major sectors of the manufacturing sector in the financial year 2021-2022. Also approved the PLI scheme for drones and components of drones in September 2021. PLIs in these 14 sectors have the potential to create 60 lakh new jobs.

Development of Nano Urea

Work on the development of nano urea started in June 2021. First plant was set up in May 2022. It will produce about 1.5 lakh bottles of 500 ml per day, 8 more such plants will be set up in the future. Foreign dependence on urea will decrease.

e-Shram portal

This portal was started on August 26, 2021, to create a database of unorganized workers in the country. There was no such digital database earlier. Till July 14, 2022, 27.98 crore unorganized workers have registered on the portal.

contribute to the country. The Amrit Mahotsav of Independence has come a long way in its year-long journey. The energy of countless freedom struggles and sacrifices spread throughout India as this journey progressed. All of this was made possible by public participation.

Amrit Mahotsav of Independence created a movement for self-reliance with public participation, so the shades of art, culture, songs, and music were also filled. Whether it was the Innovation Challenge, the National Anthem, or the Rangoli competition for freedom fighters,

Freedom struggle @75

How was the journey of freedom movement? The story of unsung heroes who were either forgotten or never got the rightful place in history they deserved. Bringing out inspirational stories of such great heroes and taking inspiration from them.

Resolve @75

Commitment to achieving set goals. Disseminating information about those goals. To organize programs related to those sectors. Outlining the path to success with the participation of all government institutions and NGOs.

Actions @75

Special efforts on 75th Year: Swachh Bharat, Healthy India, AatmaNirbhar Bharat, Ek Bharat- Shrestha Bharat, One Nation-One Ration Card, One Agriculture Market, Sabka Saath-Sabka Vikas-Sabka Vishwas, Skill Development, Digital India, New National Education Policy to initiatives like GST.

Amrit Mahotsav Feeling the new dawn of freedom...

The two-year-long Amrit Mahotsava began 75 weeks before the 75th anniversary of independence. More than 50 thousand events took place during this period. More than 150 countries and 55 ministries and departments of all states participated in it. All these events were based on five themes.

By the 75th year, the revolutionary change in various fields like women, youth, village, environment, migrant workers, defense and economy should be transformed into a mass celebration in the Amrit Mahotsav year of independence so that the journey of Amrit Kaal can get a new impetus.

Working on ideas and topics like Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, National Security, Innovation, Peace-Unity, Concept of India, Development, Environmental Sustainable Development and Justice that bind India together.

Achievements @75

Ideas @75

public participation was evident everywhere, from children to youth to women. The vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for Amrit Mahotsav and Amrit Kaal is crystal clear. He laid the groundwork for this festival from the start, so that by the time he hoisted the tricolour for the ninth time from the ramparts of the Red Fort on August 15, 2022, it would cover the entire country. It should become such a large festival in which every citizen pledge to move the country forward in order to realise the mantra of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas,

Sabka Vishwas, and Sabka Prayas. The people's enthusiasm filled the colour of public participation in the Amrit Mahotsava of Independence.

WHEN AMRIT MAHOTSAV BECAME FESTIVE

In Indian culture, it is said, "Utsven bina yasmat sthapanam nishfalam bhavet," which means that no effort, no resolution is successful unless it is celebrated. When a resolution takes the form of a festival, it mobilises the resolve and energy of lakhs and crores of people. This

THE THINKING AND STRATEGY BEHIND THE EVENTS OF AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV

It aims to realize the spirit of 'Sabka Prayas' by bringing together public, private sector, NGO-institutions, and all sections of the society with the collective power of the government to work together to accomplish any task. While making its planning and strategy, subjects like freedom struggle, culture-spirituality, nutrition, sports-fitness, environment and sustainable development, legal aid to all, last-mile delivery to marginalized section, development of infrastructure, good governance, food and agriculture, innovation, science-technology have been taken care of.

SOME SPECIAL EVENTS DURING AMRIT MAHOTSAV

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| • Netaji's Hologram at India Gate | • Vigyan Sarvatra Pujyate |
| • Empowerment of consumers | • International museum convention |
| • Students writing postcards to the Prime Minister | • National culture festival |
| • Renewable energy | • Umang Udaan - Makar Sankranti |
| • Nutrition Month - Nutrition Garden | • Bharatam |
| • Innovation hackathon | • Dhara-Vedic mathematics |
| | • Celebrations at Red Fort |

spirit began with celebrating the Amrit Mahotsava of freedom by bringing along and connecting 130 crore countrymen. This festival's core spirit became public participation. This 75th anniversary celebration of independence became a festival in which the spirit of freedom struggle, sacrifice, and dedication were felt by today's generation as well. It has evolved into a festival in which there is a glimpse of Sanatan India's pride; there is also the radiance of modern India; there is also the light of mystic spirituality; and there is a vision of talent and potential of Indian scientists.

The grandeur and success of this event can also be measured by the fact that over 50 thousand programmes were held in the country and abroad during these 75 weeks, during which 55 ministries/ departments had the collective power of the entire government. It has attracted people through concerted efforts. On average, Amrit Mahotsav holds 4 programmes per hour. A blueprint was made to move forward by dividing the Amrit festival into five segments.

These include Freedom Struggle, Ideas at 75, Achievements at 75, Actions at 75, and Resolve at 75. During the Amrit Mahotsav of independence, the second and third waves of Covid arrived during difficult times, and many programmes were carried out in hybrid mode. The students wrote postcards to the Prime Minister, Swatantrata Swar, in which a collection of poems banned by the British was organized. The Vande Bharat Dance Festival was a programme to commemorate the first freedom struggle of 1857. There were many programs. Be it the national anthem program, the rangoli program, the research and compilation programmes on the unknown heroes of the freedom struggle, or my village, my heritage program, they instil new energy in the minds of citizens. Now the



HOW THE NUMBER 75 BECAME A SYMBOL IN 75TH YEAR OF INDEPENDENCE

- On 5 October 2021 in Uttar Pradesh, the foundation stone of 75 projects related to the development of cities was laid.
- In 75 districts of UP, 75 thousand beneficiaries got the keys of their pucca houses. 75 electric buses were flagged off.
- The Government of India has decided to provide precaution doses of Covid-19 free of cost to those above 18 years and below 60 years of age in government hospitals for 75 days.

VIBHAJAN VIBHISHIKA SMRITI DIWAS

On the 75th Independence Day of Independence, it was decided to observe Partition Horrors Remembrance Day, which is a respectful tribute on behalf of every Indian to the people who were affected by that horror.

75 VANDE BHARAT TRAINS

In 75 weeks of Amrit Mahotsav, 75 Vande Bharat trains were announced to connect every corner of the country in 75 weeks.

75 YOUNG AUTHORS

75 young writers in the country were selected to write a book on freedom fighters on the Amrit festival.



The world is changing rapidly in the 21st century. The hopes and expectations of the people of India and our youth are increasing in response to new needs. As a result, our democratic systems will have to work at a faster pace. Today, as we move forward with the resolution of a new India in our 75th year of independence, the responsibility of carrying these resolutions forward also falls on our Parliament and Legislative Assemblies. For this, we must work tirelessly, day and night, with honesty and sincerity.

- Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

Har Ghar Tricolor campaign will run from August 11–17, so events like International Yoga Day, Digital District Repository, and Mera Gaon, Meri Dharohar ensured public participation.

INSPIRATION FROM THE STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM, BUILDING THE FUTURE

The history of India's independence is glorious, but the great participation of the common man in the freedom movement was lost somewhere. Not all of them received the recognition they deserved. In such a situation, better use of symbols such as Gandhiji's spinning wheel and salt, as well as the Amrit Mahotsav, have begun to democratise the history of independence, so that every citizen of the country can draw inspiration from it. Special occasions and the birth anniversary of great men were made occasions for public participation

through Amrit Mahotsav. By connecting the cleanliness movement with Mahatma Gandhi's 150th birth anniversary, a mass movement was launched with the goal of cleaning up the country.

The 75th year of independence was named Amrit Mahotsav and it has been organised by forming a special committee. The youth of the country are being inspired to write stories of unsung heroes. Tribal Pride Day was started every year as Lord Birsa Munda's birth anniversary on November 15th as Tribal Pride Day. The 125th birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose was made an occasion. By remembering the contributions of many great men, such as Raja Suheldev and Raja Mahendra Pratap, a new backbone of the freedom movement was formed. The government of India believes that the struggle from 1857 to 1947 should be rekindled in the minds of the next generation because history alone cannot provide information to the next generation. Many incidents and characters of heroic heroes will have to be brought alive on his psyche, then he will associate himself with the struggle for freedom. If a child today associates himself with the freedom struggle, he will devote his entire life to the development of India. Amrit Mahotsav is a golden opportunity to connect the new generation of Indians with freedom and with the country.

Organizing the Amrit Mahotsav is, in fact, a roadmap, a resolution to keep the achievements of the last 75 years in front of the world for the next 25 years, so that when India celebrates its centennial of independence in 2047, it is inspiring to see where we can take India and what India's place in the world will be. Amrit Mahotsav is preparing a pedestal. This festival of 75 years, on that pedestal, is becoming a firm direction to go in, inspiring and instilling the spirit of effort for India's centennial of independence.



VISION DOCUMENT

On 19 February 2021, the Prime Minister asked the students of Visva Bharati to prepare a vision document. By 2047 when India celebrates 100 years of its independence, what will be the 25 biggest goals of Visva Bharati?

75 BIG INNOVATIONS

On 23 February 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi asked the students of IIT Kharagpur to compile the 75 big innovations, and big solutions that have emerged from IIT Kharagpur in the past years, and take them to the country and the world.

BANKS BREAK THE RECORD OF 75 YEARS

Prime Minister Modi said on 12 December 2021 that India's banking sector should work more actively than before in achieving the country's goals. In the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, every bank branch, what they have done in 75 years, leaving behind all those records, let us aim to multiply it by one and a half times, two times.

PLAYERS TO VISIT 75 SCHOOLS

Prime Minister Narendra Modi appealed to Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic players to visit 75 schools by August 15, 2023, to discuss the need to eat healthy and tasty food to address malnutrition and play with children. Neeraj Chopra started the campaign for a school tour.



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ADOPT 75 VILLAGES

The Prime Minister asked all the educationists, all the agricultural scientists, all the institutions to set their goals for the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Take the lead in transforming 75 villages by adopting them. Such campaigns can also be run in 75 schools. One such campaign can be launched at the level of local bodies in every district of the country.

75 YEARS AND MEDIA

At the launch of Sansad TV, the Prime Minister said that we have the pride of the past and the resolve of the future. The media has a huge role in both these areas. When the media raises a topic, such as Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, it spreads it faster to the people. The media can do a great job of publicizing the efforts of the countrymen in the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. For example, TV channels can plan 75 episodes of freedom struggle, make documentaries. Newspapers can publish appendices related to Amrit Mahotsav. Digital media can directly engage youth with initiatives like quiz contestants.

75 YEARS AND EXPORTS

Interacting with the Heads of Indian Missions abroad and stakeholders in the trade and commerce sector, the Prime Minister said that we have to accelerate our existing exports and also work to create new markets for new products. The missions abroad should work to add five new export destinations for 75 years of independence.

TODAY'S DEVELOPMENT, TOMORROW'S LEGACY

The history of India is almost as old as the times, as bright as the sun and as vast as the sky. When India, adorned with knowledge—science and prosperity, valour—spirituality and art— was fettered by the British government, then the people who died for the country raised the flame of freedom. The Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, launched a unique Satyagraha. The foreigners left this country after countless sacrifices. Then iron man Sardar Patel made a united India like iron. It was once known as the country of snake charmers, but today the same country has successfully landed on Mars in its first attempt. "Make in India"—These three words raised the country's profile everywhere. Today, every house has electricity, every hand has a mobile phone, every pocket has a digital identity, every account has direct benefits, every kitchen has clean fuel, and every house has toilet facilities, all of which contribute to a more respectable life. Cleanliness and yoga have become New India's rites.

With the spirit of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, the 'entire world our family' has become a thought. The British had predicted that after they left, India would be shattered, but perhaps they did not expect the same India to flourish as the world's largest democracy. Today, India is a unified nation with the fastest growing economy. Self-reliance is not just a phrase; it has become the mantra of 130 million Indians.

People had to queue for hours to get a birth certificate, pay bills, get rations, enroll, and receive results and certificates only 8-10 years ago. But now everything is settled. Online arrangements for the facilities have been made to make life easier through technology. Most government services are now digital, from birth certificates to life certificates for senior citizens. India now has one of the best digital governance infrastructures



For the world, the 21st century is the century of India. We have been hearing this continuously, we hear from the people who keep telling, but if I talk about India, I would say that this century is the century of duties for India. We have to reach the golden goal of New India in this century, in the next 25 years. Our duties will take us to these goals. Therefore, these 25 years are the years of walking on the path of duty for the country. These 25 years are the period to dedicate oneself to a sense of duty.

- Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

in the world. The country's poor and middle classes have benefited the most from the Jan Dhan-Mobile and Aadhar (JAM Trinity). Today, the emphasis is also on developing the skills required for Industry 4.0 at the school level. Today, more than 75 lakh students are working on innovation in approximately 10,000 Atal Tinkering Labs. The new National Education Policy has also prioritised technology. A vast network of Atal Incubation Centers is being created in the country. Similarly, PM Rural Digital Saksharta Abhiyan i.e. PM-Disha is running a campaign to encourage digital empowerment in the country.

Countless efforts are being made in the Amrit Mahotsav to bring the unique contribution of tribal society to every household in the freedom struggle. For



ADD 75 NEW PRODUCTS

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that by forming a state-wise group of NRIs, hold a virtual summit on exports with that state. In this, it should be decided that 5 or 10 such top priority items of that state which should be exported to at least 75 countries of the world. Let us adopt new ways to reach the world after 75 years of independence

'SAKHI BAHNE' AND 75 HOURS

In a dialogue with the AatmaNirbhar Nari Shakti, the Prime Minister said that you can decide in your villages that we are commemorating 75 years of independence, we will do some sanitation work in the village for at least 75 hours in a year. From this 15th August to 15th August next year, all the sisters of Sakhi Mandal can take such a resolution. One can do water conservation work, repair of wells, and rejuvenate ponds in their village.





BOOK NOW

STORY OF FREEDOM THROUGH TOYS

Addressing the Toycathon on 24 June 2021, the Prime Minister called for innovation in the field of sports and toys during the Amrit Mahotsav. The stories related to the freedom movement, the bravery of the revolutionaries, the incidents of leadership should be prepared in the form of a game.

TASK TO FIND 75 EVENTS

In an interaction with the students, the Prime Minister said that on the occasion of 75 years of independence, students should also know about the freedom fighters of the country. For this, the country has started a campaign and you have to join this campaign. Students find out 75 incidents related to the freedom struggle of their state, they can be related to a person's struggle, can be related to a revolutionary. Write these incidents in detail in your mother tongue. Apart from this, it will be good if you can write in Hindi-English.



MORE THAN 75 JANAUSHADHI KENDRAS IN 75 DISTRICTS

On the important occasion of 75 years of independence, there will be at least 75 districts of the country where there will be more than 75 Janaushadhi Kendras.

the first time since independence, tribal museums are being set up to showcase the tribal pride and heritage of the country. Last year, on November 15, the country began celebrating Lord Birsa Munda Jayanti as "National Tribal Pride Day." Every person in the Amrit Mahotsav year of independence has the privilege of being associated with the accomplishments of the previous 75 years. The revolutionary and transformational changes that have occurred in India in recent years have succeeded in putting India on the front lines on the global stage. Many records in all areas of development have been created with the mantra of everyone's effort. It also succeeded in preserving and promoting history and culture. But this is just a stage, not the destination of the nation. This is the reason why Prime Minister Narendra Modi decided to celebrate the period of 25 years from the year of independence to the centennial year of independence as Amrit Kaal and called upon the people of the country to do the same in the year of Amrit Mahotsav of independence. Let us also make some personal resolutions to move India forward. Every government department, from Gram Panchayat to Parliament, should set a goal and make a decision that will move the country forward. This is the year to make resolutions, and this 25-year Amrit Kaal is the time to follow through on them. The resolutions that India will fulfil with long-term thinking over the next 25 years will become the century's legacy. Prime Minister Modi believes that today's India's development journey should leave a glorious and prosperous legacy for tomorrow's India.

'SABKA PRAYAS' AND THE JOURNEY TO GOLDEN INDIA

Today, India is waving its flag of IT-digital technology. The Internet is breaking records for data consumption, with India alone accounting for 40% of all digital transactions worldwide. The speed with which people are adopting new technology in the new India of the 21st century can surprise anyone. The journey of development in the last few years has given a new identity to India. The identity of today's India is to do, to do, and to do on time. India is going on with this resolution. India is impatient for progress and for development. India is impatient with its dreams. It is impatient to take its dreams with determination and to achieve them. India today believes in its own strength, believes in itself. India decided in 2016 that by 2030, 40 percent of the total electricity generation capacity would be from non-fossil fuel sources, but India achieved this only eight years ahead of the target. The target of a 10% ethanol blend in gasoline was also met five months ahead of schedule. The journey to deal with a disaster like COVID and reach 200 crore doses of vaccination is becoming a topic of research. The Made in India vaccine has saved the lives of crores of people in India as well as the world from COVID. During COVID's time, India has provided free food grains to 80 Crore poor people for the past two years. Today, an average of 5000 patents are filed in India every month. Today, on an average, India is manufacturing more than 500 modern railway coaches every month. Today, on an average, India is connecting 18 lakh households every month with the Nal Se Jal scheme.

The Startup India campaign was at the concept stage, a term that most people were unfamiliar with. However, as a result of recent efforts, India now has the world's third largest startup ecosystem. Furthermore, a unicorn is created in



75 LEGENDS-75 PLACES

Make a list of 75 great men associated with the freedom movement, find out their costumes, speak each of their sentences, have a competition, mark 75 places related to the freedom movement on the map of India in schools and children should be asked that Tell me where is Bardoli? Where is Champaran?

LEGAL BATTLE OF 75 INCIDENTS

Schools-Colleges teaching law should find out 75 incidents in which the legal battle took place during the freedom struggle? Who were the people who were fighting the legal battle? How were efforts made to save the freedom fighters? What was the attitude of the judiciary of the British empire? You can even write a play on it. Students of fine arts draw paintings on those events, those who want to write poems and songs should do it. All this should be handwritten in the beginning. Later it should also be given digital form. It should be such that this effort of every school-college becomes the heritage of that school-college. This will create a completely conceptual foundation. Later, district-wide, state-wide, and country-wide competitions can also be organized on this.





LOOK NOW

75 AMRIT SAROVARS

75 Amrit Sarovars are being built in every district to fulfill the resolve to give something to the future generation in the memory of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. In every district, whether this Amrit Sarovar is new or big, the help of MNREGA money can also be taken from the government in its construction. Construction of 75 Amrit Sarovars in every district in the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav will be very useful for the coming generations. Our mother earth will get a lot of benefit from this. We have drawn so much water, it becomes our duty as a child of this mother earth to quench the thirst of this mother earth. And due to this a new energy will come in the life of nature, a new consciousness will come. This will benefit small farmers, women will be benefited, not only this, it will be an act of kindness, it will also be very helpful for animals and birds. That is, the construction of 75 Amrit Sarovars in every district is a huge task of humanity, which we must do.

75 GOBARDHAN BIO CNG PLANTS

In the coming two years, work is being done on setting up of Gobardhan Bio-CNG plants in 75 big municipal bodies of the country. This campaign will help a lot towards making India's cities clean and pollution free.



If we have to take India to new heights on 100 years of independence, then for that hard work has to be done... and there is no shortcut to hard work. After independence, the political parties that dominated the country had adopted many short-cuts.

- Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

India every ten days on average. India is currently the world's second largest mobile phone manufacturer. India's biotech economy has expanded eightfold to exceed Rs 6 lakh crore. Natural farming is a topic of discussion all over the world, but it is taking root in India. India's participation in the global initiative to address the challenges of climate change is not limited to policies; India's young electric vehicles are also investing in climate-related technology. Eco-friendly behaviour and lifestyle are becoming more common in ordinary people's lives. Today, every village in India is free of open defecation; every village has access to electricity; nearly every village is connected by road; more than 99 percent of kitchens have clean cooking fuel; and every family has access to the banking system. Every poor person has access to a free treatment facility worth five lakh rupees.

The goal of New India in Amrit Kaal is to fulfil the dreams of its freedom fighters. Making New India, their dream India. An India in which the poor, farmers, laborers, backward and tribals

Freedom Struggle: Gathering information about the anonymous heroes and creation of DDRs

It is an attempt to remember the unsung heroes of our freedom movement and to make the youth aware.

These are the heroes who, despite their sacrifices in the freedom movement, remained anonymous to today's generation. The Digital District Repository (DDR) is an effort to find and document the stories of people and places who witnessed and contributed to the freedom struggle.



Vande Bharatam-Dance Festival:

Under a special effort by the Ministry of Culture and Defense, 480 dancers were selected in a two-month-long competition at the national level, which was presented on Republic Day 2022.

'Har Ghar Tiranga' on 75 years of independence

As the 75 years of independence are being completed, the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign will be run from August 11 to August 17, 2022 to inculcate patriotism and national pride in the minds of every citizen of the country. Through this campaign, every person will get a chance to express his feeling of patriotism. The government amended the Flag Code of India, 2002 on December 30, 2021 in the Amrit Mahotsav year, allowing a flag made of polyester or machine.

Podcast series on movement

This podcast series is about individuals and movements that made significant contributions to India's freedom struggle, some of whom have not found a place in the traditional freedom movement story.

Swatantra Swar

The British government had banned songs and poems which instilled a sense of patriotism in the mind and heart against injustice. Such poems and songs can be read at <https://amritmahotsav.nic.in/swatantra-swar.htm>.

MEGA GAON, MERI DHAROHAR

Mega Gaon, Meri Dharohar (MGMD) is actually a part of the 'National Mission on Cultural Mapping (NMCM)'. Its aim is to find and record cultural assets and resources across the country. This initiative will help in preserving and promoting Indian cultural techniques/traditions by covering 6.5 lakh villages under it. This will protect local artists and preserve skills and heritage. Its basic goal is to create a 'virtual museum' for each selected village.

AROUND 27 LAKH PEOPLE PAID TRIBUTE THROUGH DIGITAL FLAME

We got freedom from the sacrifice of innumerable freedom fighters who put their present at stake to build our future. A grateful nation salutes their courage and sacrifice during the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. For this, arrangements were made to pay tribute through a digital flame. This digital flame is lit at Central Park, Connaught Place. About 27 lakh people have paid tribute through this medium.

INDIA REGISTERED NAME IN GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS FOR HOISTING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF NATIONAL FLAGS

India has registered its name in the Guinness Book of World Records by hoisting 78 thousand 220 national flags i.e. tricolor together in the Veer Kunwar Singh Vijayotsav program at Daulat Maidan in Jagdishpur, Bihar under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on 23 April 2022. The previous record was registered in the name of Pakistan, which was made in 2004 by hoisting 56 thousand Pakistani flags simultaneously.

have equal opportunities for all. In the last eight years, the country has also made policies to fulfil this resolve and has worked with full devotion. India's thinking in Amrit Kaal is inclusive and is engaged in fulfilling the aspirations of crores of people. India today is full of unprecedented possibilities. Under the leadership of a strong-stable-decisive government, it is also dreaming



THE GOAL OF AATMANIRBHAR BHARAT WILL BE FULFILLED

When India will celebrate 100th year of independence, then the goal of AatmaNirbhar will be fulfilled, work will have to be done on it with unshakable and unwavering commitment. When India becomes self-reliant once again, it will also show a new direction to the world. The achievements of India are not only ours, but give hope to the world and humanity. Our development journey full of self-reliance is going to accelerate the development journey of the whole world.

INDIA WILL BE SELF-SUFFICIENT IN ENERGY

By the completion of 100 years of independence, India will become self-reliant in the field of energy. Increasing the number of electric vehicles, gas-based economy, network of CNG and PNG across the country, achieving 20 percent ethanol blending target in petrol ahead of the predetermined target, 100% electrification of railways to become net zero carbon emitter by 2030 are part of the ambitious plan. India has set a target of 450 GW in renewable energy, of which the target of 100 GW has been achieved ahead of time. Similarly, India is a pioneering country in setting up International Solar Alliance and sharing the vision of One Sun, One Grid. Similarly, Green Hydrogen National Mission was not only announced but work has been started in that direction.

new dreams, taking new resolutions, and working hard to convert the resolutions into accomplishment. Its policies are also clear, and its roadmap for self-reliance for the next 25 years is also ready. In the words of Prime Minister Modi himself, "When 2047 will be 100 years of the country's independence, then the whole country will go to fulfil that dream wherever we want to



Somnath Temple

The Somnath Trust headed by PM Modi renovated the Somnath temple. This includes the construction of an exhibition centre, Samudra Darshan Path and Maa Parvati Temple.



Today, as we move forward with the nation's Amrit resolve, we must not leave any stone unturned in our duty and labour. Our national unity should be our top priority.

**-Narendra Modi,
Prime Minister**

take the country." New decisions, new thinking, and a self-reliant India are the embodiment of these efforts. It is also an attempt to fulfil the dreams of those freedom fighters; an attempt to take India to that height, wishing that many heroes had embraced the noose and spent their lives in the dungeon.

Certainly, when citizens of a country get



The airport has been constructed to facilitate visits to the temple, which was inaugurated by PM Modi on July 12.

Baba Baidyanath Dham, Deoghar

KEDARNATH DHAM

Kedarnath Dham, which was badly affected in the disaster, is being given a grand look again. During this, for the security of Kedarnath Dham, all the work including three-layer security wall, easy access to the temple, Aastha Path, Mandakini bridge construction, helipad construction has been completed, while many other work is in progress.

CHAR DHAM NATIONAL HIGHWAY

Safe and easy all-weather national highway project that will connect Gangotri, Yamunotri, Kedarnath, and Badrinath. This highway will make the Dhams more accessible and easier for the devotees.

MAHAKAL CORRIDOR, UJJAIN

Work is going on for the expansion of Mahakal temple in Ujjain with an estimated cost of Rs 750 crore. With beautification, the area of the temple complex will also increase by about 8 times.

SPIRITUAL HERITAGE IN THE COUNTRY BEING **DEVELOPED, PRESERVED AND RESTORED**



**Ram Mandir
Ayodhya**

After 492 years of controversy, finally, a Ram temple is being constructed at Ram Janmabhoomi, whose foundation stone was laid by PM Modi.



**Kashi
Vishwanath
Corridor**

Kashi Vishwanath Corridor has been developed. Till 2017 there were very narrow roads around the temple but now Kashi has become divine and grand.

PLANS TO REACH PERFECTION

In the golden year of independence, we have to go to perfection. It envisages- 100% villages have roads, 100% households have bank accounts, 100% eligible beneficiaries have Ayushman Bharat cards, 100% eligible people have gas, electricity connections. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said in a program that this time of Amrit Kaal is not for dreaming while sleeping, but for fulfilling our resolutions by waking up. The coming 25 years will be period of hard work, 25 years of sacrifice and penance. This period of 25 years is to recover what our society has lost in hundreds of years of slavery. Therefore, in this Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, our focus should be on the future.

involved in fulfilling national resolutions in the spirit of everyone's effort, in the spirit of public participation, they begin to gain the support of the world's great powers. Today, the world's great powers want to walk shoulder to shoulder

with India. With the determination and power of its citizens, India is now moving forward on the path of progress. With the determination and participation of the people, India's efforts are now transforming into a mass movement.

SHRI MAHAKALI MATAJI TEMPLE, PAVAGADH

About 500 years ago, the temple's summit and flag were demolished by the invaders. Situated on the Pavagadh hill, the summit of this temple was restored. Recently, after hoisting the flag at the temple's summit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, 'Even in 75 years of independence, the flag was not hoisted over the Mahakali temple destroyed five centuries ago. The flag hoisted on the temple not only symbolizes our spirituality, but also tells that centuries pass, eras pass, but our faith is eternal.

1.5 CRORE NATIONAL ANTHEM VIDEOS UPLOADED

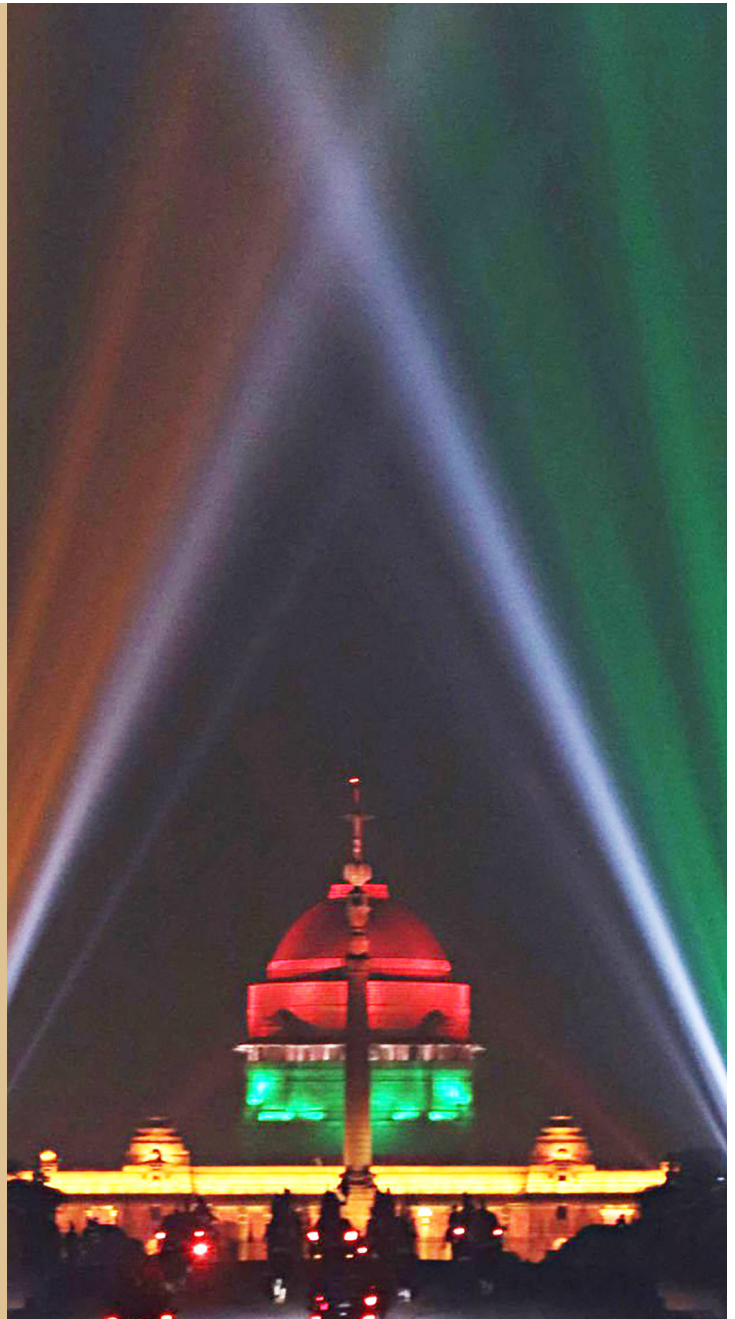
Under the initiative of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, 1.5 crore Indians residing around the world including India, singing the national anthem uploaded its video on the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav website. There were 5.5 lakh entries in the competitions for making rangoli, writing patriotic songs and lullabies.

MORE THAN 6 THOUSAND AMRIT MAHOTSAV PROGRAMS ABROAD

Indian Missions abroad have organized more than 6 thousand programs under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. It was attended by overseas Indians, friends from India and the local government.

YOGA AT 75 HISTORICAL PLACES ON AMRIT MAHOTSAV

Yoga demonstrations at 75 historical places of the country on the 8th International Day of Yoga is an initiative to connect the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav year with public participation. Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Mysore and Union Ministers in other places of the country participated in these yoga demonstrations.



New India is working to leave a new legacy for future generations. In recent decades, people in the country have given a strong image of India through their work. As a result, in the Amrit Kaal of independence, that is, in the next 25 years, expectations have risen because today, every Indian citizen is a success story in and of itself, as well as its carrier. ■

AUGUST KRANTI ...

India got freedom while walking on the path of struggle after a long period of slavery. The month of August holds a lot of importance in this journey of struggle. Because the anniversary of three important mass movements, which are called the foundation of India's independence, falls in the month of August itself... And that is why, at a time when the country is completing 75 years of independence, we should also know about these three movements and their impact...



Quit India Movement - Do or Die... Completes 80 Years

The date of August 8 has great significance in the freedom movement. On this day, in midnight of 8-9 August 1942, a massive mass movement for independence was started under the leadership of the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi, with the slogan of 'Do or Die' and British, Quit India. Now the present leadership is making the mantra of "kareng aur kar ke rahenge" a strong link in the mass movements. The 'Quit India Movement' could not get India independence immediately, but its far-reaching results were pleasant. This is the reason why this movement was called 'the last great effort to be made for the independence of India'. It was the most intense and massive mass movement.

Non-Cooperation Movement

In protest against colonialism, Mahatma Gandhi appealed to the countrymen and demanded non-cooperation. Formally launching the movement on 1 August 1920, Mahatma Gandhi said not to go to schools, colleges and courts or pay taxes.

If non-cooperation is followed properly, India will attain Swaraj within a year. In this entire movement only non-violent means were adopted against the brutalities of the British.

The non-cooperation movement had the greatest impact on schools, colleges and courts. The workers stopped working. According to a government report, there were 396 strikes in 1921 in which 6 lakh workers participated and 70 lakh working days were lost.

Swadeshi Movement

The Swadeshi Movement started on August 7, 1905, after the declaration of the Partition of Bengal. Indians resolved to promote indigenous goods by boycotting foreign goods, government services, schools, and courts. That is, it was a political movement as well as a movement to inflict economic injury on the British. The Swadeshi movement mainly gave birth to three leaders including Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Bipin Chandra Pal and Lala Lajpat Rai. These three were known as Lal, Pal and Bal.

The movement resulted in a significant decline in foreign imports during the years 1905–1908. This led to the establishment of indigenous textile mills, soap and match factories, tannery factories, banks, insurance companies, shops etc. in the country. It also revived the Indian cottage industry.

CABINET DECISIONS

EMPHASIS ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND EDUCATION ALONGWITH PRECAUTION DOSE OF HEALTH

The central government is committed to infrastructure, education, and better health of the citizens. Under this commitment, the Union Cabinet has approved the construction of a new railway line Taranga Hill-Ambaji-Abu Road, upgrading the National Rail and Transportation Institute from a deemed university to a central university, and also decided to introduce free booster dose for all from July 15. The construction of the Taranga Hill-Ambaji-Abu Road new rail line will boost tourism in Gujarat and Rajasthan as well as strengthen the infrastructure.



- **Decision: The Union Cabinet has approved the Taranga Hill-Ambaji-Abu Road new rail line.**

- **Impact:** This 116.65 km long rail line will boost local mobility, transportation of products, self-employment, tourism, and socio-economic development. This new railway line will be ready in 4 years and Rs 2798 crore will be spent on it. With this decision, while the people of Rajasthan and Gujarat will get better rail connectivity, spiritual tourism will get a boost in the region. The famous pilgrimage center Ambaji is one of the 51 Shaktipeeths.

This project will be completed by 2026-27. The project will generate direct employment for about 40 lakh man days during construction. Devotees visiting the Ajitanath Jain Temple (one of the 24 holy Jain Tirthankaras) at Taranga Hill will also benefit greatly from it.

- **Decision: The Union Cabinet has decided to introduce free booster doses of the Covid**

vaccine to all citizens above the age of 18 years.

- **Impact:** As part of the Amrit Kaal, the government has decided that from July 15, 2022, for the next 75 days, all citizens above the age of 18 years in the country will be given free booster doses of the Covid vaccine in government immunization centers. Till now it was free for frontline workers and senior citizens. Giving a booster dose increases the immune response.
- **Decision: Cabinet approval to upgrade the National Rail and Transportation Institute at Vadodara, Gujarat from a deemed university to a central university.**
- **Impact:** The capacity of this university will increase further by getting the status of a central university. Along with education, training, skills, and research in the transportation sector more new courses will be taught here, which will not only benefit the people of Gujarat but also the youth of the country. ■

PRADHANMANTRI SANGRAHALAYA...

CONNECTING THE PAST AND THE FUTURE

Every nation bears the responsibility of preserving and passing on its heritage to future generations. New India is imbibing the mantra of reading history to define its future and preserve its rich heritage so that present and future generations can witness the glorious 75 years. In the last eight years, the government has not only begun the construction or reconstruction of more than 100 museums, but 50 of them have also been dedicated to the nation. Similarly, the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya, which opened on April 14th, 2022, has been a huge inspiration and is quickly becoming a great knowledge center.

In 75 years, the country has had many proud moments. The historical significance of these moments is incomparable. Many such moments can also be seen in the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya. Every government in independent India has contributed to the country reaching the heights it has today. The contribution of every government's leadership and the development of their times, their personal skills, and efficient ways of dealing with challenges have been combined with technology in the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya in such a way that present and future generations are becoming acquainted with the nation's golden past. Over 50 thousand people visited the museum in the first two months after it opened to the public, including the country's President and Vice President.

On April 24, 2022, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in the Mann Ki Baat programme that the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya contains many such facts that most people are unaware of. On Museum Day (May 18), the Prime Minister also encouraged youths to visit local museums with a friend circle and share the experience. When our younger generation sees this living symbol, they get a sense of fact as well as truth. Prime Minister Modi has already stated about this call or effort. The Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya contains descriptive records of how our Prime Ministers forged a new path for the country in the face of numerous challenges and ensured the country's overall progress.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has always emphasised the importance of true portrayal of India's past, heritage, and present. As a result, the current government is working to preserve the heritage, bring back the heritage from abroad, and display the glorious heritage on the world stage. Museums are being built as part of this. The Jallianwala Bagh Memorial, Ambedkar National Memorial, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Memorial, Indian National Army Museum, and Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum are all part of the same.

The Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya is an excellent place to witness India's progress as a democratic nation and the diversity it possesses. This is why, in the first two months, the museum received over 50 thousand visitors, including President Ram Nath Kovind, Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu, and a large number of dignitaries. This museum uses only original photographs and videos, which adds to the authenticity of the stories told. If you haven't already visited the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya, make a plan to take photos with your favourite Prime Minister, or record a video of yourself walking with him.

This Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya will continue to inspire us. This museum has the potential to sow the seeds of great resolve for India within us. This museum will instil a sense of accomplishment in the youth who are shaping India's future.

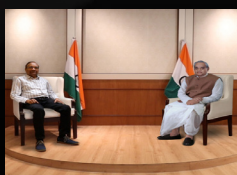
Narendra Modi,
Prime Minister

Equipped with latest technology

- This world-class museum, housed in the iconic Teen Murti complex in New Delhi, is equipped with cutting-edge technology and is one of India's most modern museums.
- Teen Murti Bhavan has been divided into two blocks with a total area of more than 15,600 square metres for the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya. There are 43 galleries, each with a description of each Prime Minister's contribution. Arrangements are being made for a tour of approximately 4,000 people.
- The museum depicts major pre-independence events, such as the country's prosperity in the 18th century and its subsequent British legacy; constitution making; and the challenges faced and achieved during

These experiences you will have in the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya.

This museum has been developed with the amalgamation of advanced digital infrastructure and state-of-the-art technology. You can understand here some important points that make you feel fabulous



Pose for a picture with PM.

Here you will get a chance to click a picture with your favourite Prime Minister in Augmented Reality.



In front of Parliament with the PM

Here you will get a chance to walk with the Prime Minister in front of Parliament in Augmented Reality, whose video you can also take.

Unity Wall



Unity in diversity is our strength. Stand shoulder to shoulder with the countrymen near the Unity Wall put up to showcase this and celebrate our unity.

YOU WILL NOT GET BORED AND BE FORCED TO STAY FOR HOURS.

You must have gone to the museum with your parents or from school in your childhood. Museums are such that soon one gets bored, wanting to return home. But the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya is different. Information is presented in an impressive manner. Children and young people visiting the museum will enjoy it. You will not feel unpleasant.

the tenures of 14 prime ministers, ranging from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to Dr. Manmohan Singh, in an interactive format.

- The museum's logo depicts the hands of the Indian people holding the Dharmachakra, a symbol of nationalism and democracy. For the museum, which was built with a sustainable energy conservation method, no trees were cut or removed.



THE LETTER SIGNED BY YOUR FAVOURITE PM

You can have a letter in your name signed by your favourite Prime Minister.



INDIA IN THE FUTURE

Sit in the pod of a virtual helicopter and experience the country's exciting futuristic development journey with the tallest bridges, tunnels, and solar parks built in the country in a 180-degree projection.

The Time Machine

Relive history with a custom-built time machine.

Listen PMs memorable speeches

Here you can hear memorable speeches delivered from the Red Fort.

Kids Zone

Experience ISRO's mission Mangalyaan and more through immersive screens here. Watch your newly created drawings go live on a digital screen..

FACTS THAT HELP YOU LEARN MORE ABOUT PRIME MINISTERS

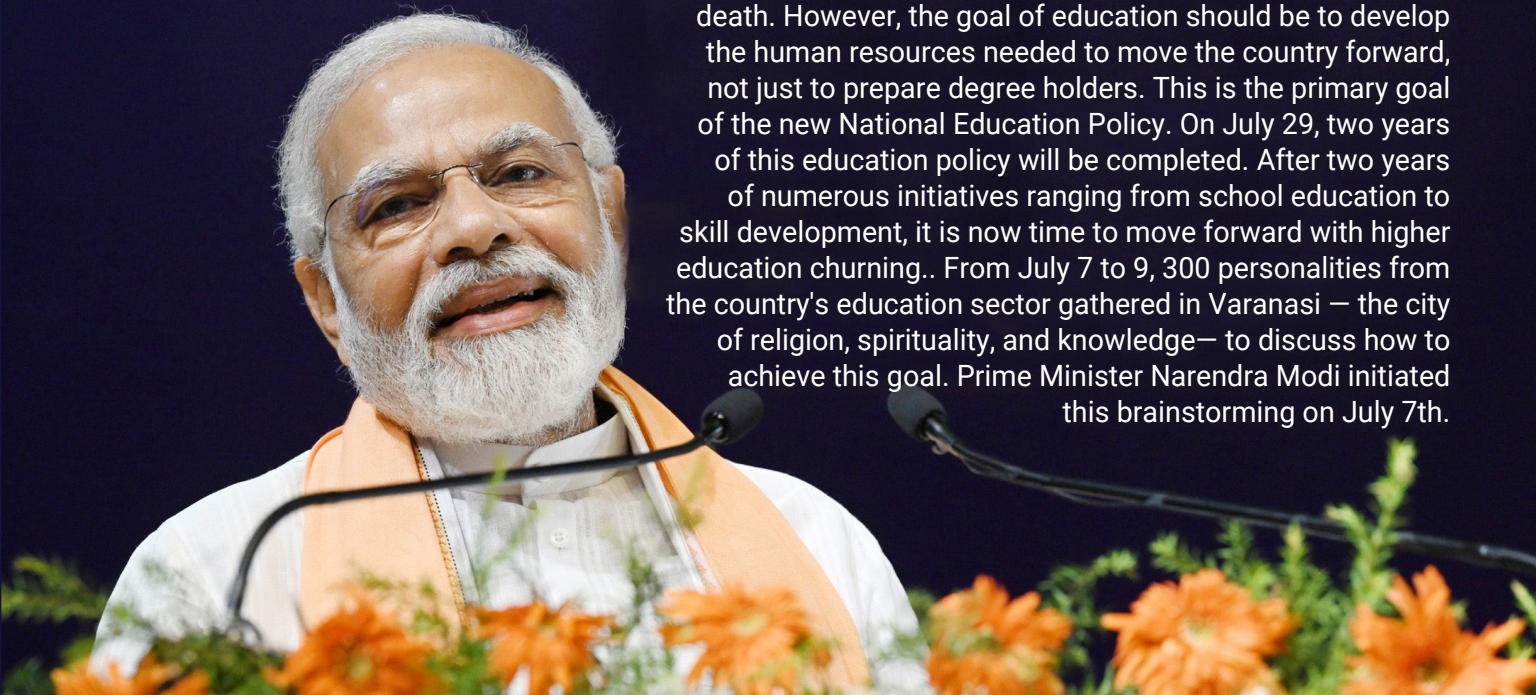
- In the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya, there is information about governance and handling challenges as well as information related to their personal life. Objects of special contexts have also been given place. Read some here...
- Lal Bahadur Shastri accepted only a spinning wheel as a wedding gift from his in-laws. That spinning wheel is kept in the museum, as is his post office passbook, which shows his meagre savings, honesty, and simplicity.
- Morarji Desai worked as a Deputy Collector in Gujarat for many years before joining the freedom movement.
- Chaudhary Charan Singh was deeply committed to the abolition of Zamindari. He also wrote an important book on the abolition of zamindari, which is kept in the museum.
- Many people are unaware that Prime Minister Chandrashekhar participated in a padyatra from Kanyakumari to Delhi known as the "Bharat Yatra." From January 6 to June 25, 1983, he walked approximately 4,260 kilometres.

ALSO VISIT THESE MUSEUMS

- **INDIAN MUSEUM:** This museum located in Kolkata was founded in 1814. It is not only the oldest and largest in India, but also in the Asia Pacific region of the world. There is a rare collection of antiquities, weapons and jewellery, fossils, skeletons, old preserved carcasses, and Mughal paintings in this museum.
- **NATIONAL RAIL MUSEUM, NEW DELHI:** There is an opportunity to see and learn about Indian Railways' 140-year history. Here one can see the Fairy Queen, steam engines, models of coal-fired vehicles, as well as the Maharaja's Rolling Salon. The museum also houses the world's oldest continuously running train, whose engine was built in 1855.
- **RBI MONETARY MUSEUM, MUMBAI:** The history of the development of coins and rupees can be seen in this museum. Everything from 6th century coins to present day e-money is present.
- **VRASAT-E-KHALSA** is associated with the Museum of Sikhism, which is in Anandpur Sahib, Punjab. The museum was built in celebration of 500 years of Sikh history and the 300th anniversary of the Khalsa. It is based on the scriptures of the tenth and last Guru, Gobind Singh, and is on record as the most visited museum in Asia.
- **THE KITE MUSEUM:** It is in Ahmedabad. This kite museum is the first and only kite museum in the country and the second in the world. Starting on February 26, 1975 and known as Sanskaar Kendra, this museum, apart from the largest kite of 22 X 16 feet, not only provides information about the history of kites but also displays rare kites from around the world.
- **THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF INDIAN CINEMA** is housed in Mumbai's Gulshan Mahal building. Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the museum on January 19, 2019. The museum provides an intuitive understanding of various film personalities' struggles as well as the history of the Indian entertainment industry.
- **THE NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL** is located in New Delhi. It was built in memory of the soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice. The Amar Jawan Jyoti is now lit here.
- **THE NATIONAL POLICE MEMORIAL** is located in New Delhi. Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the National Memorial to Police and Paramilitary Forces to the nation on October 21, 2018. There was no National Police Memorial in the country after decades of independence.
- **JALLIANWALA BAGH MEMORIAL:** The reconstruction of the complex and the opening of memorial galleries have been done by the present government.
- **BIPOBI BHARAT GALLERY** is in Kolkata. Here, the symbols of revolution are being made attractive through modern technology. Here an attempt has been made to bring out the contribution of Azad Hind Fauj from the pages of history.
- **BHAGWAN BIRSA MUNDA TRIBAL FREEDOM FIGHTER MUSEUM** in Jharkhand, has been dedicated to the nation. The country's National Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum is being built in the Narmada district of Gujarat, in which 16 galleries will be dedicated to the tribal freedom movements all over India. This museum is about 6 km away from the Statue of Unity.
- **THE CALICO TEXTILE MUSEUM** in Ahmedabad preserves India's clothing heritage. This museum, which opened in 1949, not only displays Mughal-era clothing but also provides information on the development of the textile industry in various parts of the country. ■

NEW EDUCATION, NEW POLICY, AND MAKING OF A NEW INDIA

Just as mother's milk is the only source of nutrition for an infant's healthy development. Education, like food, is an essential component of living a meaningful life from birth to death. However, the goal of education should be to develop the human resources needed to move the country forward, not just to prepare degree holders. This is the primary goal of the new National Education Policy. On July 29, two years of this education policy will be completed. After two years of numerous initiatives ranging from school education to skill development, it is now time to move forward with higher education churning.. From July 7 to 9, 300 personalities from the country's education sector gathered in Varanasi – the city of religion, spirituality, and knowledge— to discuss how to achieve this goal. Prime Minister Narendra Modi initiated this brainstorming on July 7th.



Our country has never been short on talent and intellect. Unfortunately, such a system was developed during the time of slavery, when education was thought to mean only one thing: a job. The British's goal at the time was to create a servant class for themselves. There has been some change since independence, but much remains to be done. As a result, the expected results were not met. This system began to change in 2020 with the implementation of the new National Education Policy. A policy in which education is used to help youth build their future rather than just get jobs. At the Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam on July 7, Prime Minister Narendra Modi stated, "The basic premise of the National Education Policy is to take education out of narrow-minded circles and integrate it with modern ideas of the 21st century."

THE SIX KEY POINTS FROM PM MODI'S SPEECH

1. The basic premise of the National Policy on Education is to liberate education from narrow thinking and integrate it with contemporary ideas for the 21st century. Our education system should not only prepare degree-holding youth, but should also provide the country with whatever human resources it requires to move forward. Our teachers and educational institutions have to spearhead this resolution.
2. India is now one of the world's fastest growing large economies. We are now the world's third largest startup ecosystem. In areas such as space technology, where the government used to do everything, private players are now creating a new world for the youth. For the daughters of the country, sectors that were

DIVINE, STUNNING AND NEW KASHI

When Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrived in Kashi for the first time to contest the Lok Sabha elections, he brought the Gujarat development model with him. However, in the spiritual, religious, and cultural city of Kashi, he introduced a new development model known as the "Kashi Model." This model exhibits the best blend of tradition and modernity. Whenever, Prime Minister Modi visited his parliamentary constituency after taking over the reins of the country, he lavished crores of rupees in gifts. On July 7th, he again gave Kashi gifts worth Rs. 1800 crore.

Kashi has displayed such a picture to the entire country that includes both heritage and development. Several schemes and projects worth thousands of crores have been completed, and many more are in the works. On July 7th, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for development projects worth approximately Rs 1800 crore, saying, "Kashi's modern infrastructure is increasing mobility." Development is progressive when education, skill, the environment, cleanliness, and business are encouraged, new institutions are formed, and the divinity of holy places associated with faith and spirituality is combined with modern grandeur. When the poor have access to basic necessities like housing, electricity, water, gas, and toilets, everyone benefits from development, from boatmen, weavers, handicraftsmen, and street vendors to the homeless."

PROJECTS WORTH RS 1800 CRORE:

- Projects worth over Rs 590 crore were inaugurated. These include several initiatives under the Varanasi Smart City and Urban Projects.
- Several road projects were also inaugurated, including a four-lane road over a bridge on the Babatpur-Kapsethi-Bhadohi road, the construction of 7 PMGSY roads, and the widening of the Dharasauna-Sindhaura road.
- Several projects aimed at improving sewerage and water supply systems were also launched.
- The Prime Minister also laid the groundwork for projects worth over Rs 1200 crore. Numerous road and widening projects are among them. These projects will help to reduce traffic congestion on city and rural roads.
- In order to promote tourism in the region, the Prime Minister also laid the groundwork for several projects funded by the World Bank, including the Uttar Pradesh Pro-Poor Tourism Development Project.
- Prime Minister Modi also laid the groundwork for the first phase of the redevelopment of the Sriga Sports Stadium.



Varanasi gets the gift of Akshaya Patra kitchen.

During his visit to Varanasi, Prime Minister Modi also inaugurated Akshaya Patra Kitchen. This is the country's 62nd Akshaya Patra kitchen and the fourth in Uttar Pradesh. Akshaya Patra is a non-profit organisation. It serves midday meals to school children in 12 states, including Uttar Pradesh. Akshaya Patra is the central government's most important partner in implementing the mid-day meal programme in India's government schools. The project is built on public-private collaboration. This organisation feeds approximately 17 lakh school students in 14702 schools across the country. Today, the 62nd Akshaya Patra Kitchen centre opened in Varanasi. Mid-day meals will be prepared in this Akshaya Patra kitchen for one lakh students.

previously closed to women are now displaying examples of the daughters' talent.

3. The entire focus of the new policy is to train children based on their talents and preferences. Our youth should be skilled and full of confidence. Education policy is laying the groundwork for this.

For the new National Education Policy, work has also been done on a sizable infrastructure in the country's education sector. Today, a large number of new colleges are opening in

the country; new universities are opening; new IITs and IIMs are being established.

5. The National Education Policy now permits studies in one's native language. Ancient Indian languages such as Sanskrit are also carried forward in this sequence.
6. In the coming years, India may emerge as a major global education centre. First, we must prepare our educational system to meet international standards. The country is also making consistent efforts in this direction. ■

INCLUSION: THE PATH OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THE MARGINALIZED SECTION



The concept of inclusive growth is not new in the Indian context. If you look at the ancient scriptures, then the emphasis on taking everyone along is inherent in it. Indian philosophy of 'Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah' also highlights the same belief. In India, many reforms have been initiated in the past from economic to social levels. But there was one difference, that is the attitude. Earlier, major reforms took place in India only when the earlier governments were left with no other course of action. But now the government considers reforms as a stepping stone to success, which is in the national and public interest. Emphasizing for development with inclusiveness was the highlight of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's lecture organized in memory of former Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on July 8.

Inclusive growth means development where everyone has equal opportunities. The benefits of government schemes reach the marginal section of society. The emphasis of inclusive development is on providing basic facilities to all sections of the population i.e. housing, food, drinking water, education, health as well as generating means of livelihood to lead a dignified life. Along with all this, it is also necessary to take care of environmental protection for inclusive development, because progress done at the cost of the environment can neither be called sustainable nor inclusive.

Real development is not possible without inclusion and without development, the goal of inclusion cannot be achieved. At the time of Amrit Kaal as the country set a roadmap for what India will be like in the 100th year of independence, the issue of inclusion becomes more important. At the Arun Jaitley Memorial Lecture, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while speaking on the theme of "Development through Inclusiveness, Inclusion through Development", put forward this resolve of the

THIS IS HOW INDIA MOVED ON THE PATH OF DEVELOPMENT THROUGH INCLUSION

MORE THAN 45 CRORES JAN DHAN ACCOUNT

In the last eight years, India has opened more than 45 crores of Jan Dhan bank accounts. This number is also equal to the total population of Japan, Germany, Britain, Italy, and Mexico.

209 NEW MEDICAL COLLEGES WERE BUILT

When a large population got health coverage like Ayushman Bharat, it resulted in bringing strong improvement in health infrastructure. In the last 7-8 years, more than 4 times, that is, about 209 new medical colleges have been built in India. The number of seats in medical colleges has doubled.

FREE TREATMENT UP TO RS 5 LAKH

Under Ayushman Bharat, more than 50 crore population has got free treatment facility of up to Rs 5 lakh every year. In the last 4 years, more than 3.5 crore people have got their free treatment under this scheme. This segment of population was away from health facilities for a long time.

3 CRORE PUCCA HOUSES BUILT ACROSS THE COUNTRY

In the last 8 years, India has provided 3 crore houses to the poor. The population of many countries in the world is not even that much. Food crops that used to get rotten during transportation are now reaching without spoiling in areas that farmers have not even imagined in the past through schemes like Kisan Rail and Krishi Udan.

- In the last eight years, India has given free gas connections to more than 9 crore women. This number is more than the total population of South Africa, Australia, Singapore, and New Zealand.
- The Digital India campaign has brought the power of the Internet to the poor living in the villages through about 5 lakh Common Service Centers. India's BHIM-UPI has connected crores of poor with the facility of digital payment.
- SVANidhi scheme has given street vendors an opportunity to join the banking system. This class of society, in past never got such a facility due to a lack of guarantee.
- A campaign has been started to make 100 districts lagging behind in development come at par with other districts in terms of development as aspirational districts.
- Under the UDAN scheme, many airstrips were revived, and new airports were built, reaching far and wide Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities. Traveling in an airplane in the prescribed amount enabled those who wear slippers to sit in the plane.
- The new National Education Policy of India is emphasizing studies in the mother tongue. Those who do not know English will now get a chance to study in their mother tongue.
- The Jal Jeevan Mission is connecting every household in the country with water supply through taps. In just three years, this mission has connected more than 6 crore households with water connections. This inclusiveness is making the life of the common man easier today.
- The mapping of houses and buildings in rural areas of the country is going on in a big way through SVAMITVA Yojana. Till now work has been done with the help of drones in 1.5 lakh villages in India. Property cards have been made for more than 80 lakh people.
- The government has abolished 1500 such laws, which were unnecessarily interfering in the lives of the people. The government has abolished more than 30,000 compliances, which were hindering the ease of doing business and ease of living.

Central Government in front of the people. He said, "The pace with which India has worked for inclusive growth in the last eight years and the level at which it has worked is unmatched anywhere in the world. Today's India, instead of taking reform measures by compulsion, is taking reform steps by conviction

and is preparing a blueprint for the coming 25 years. Our policy-making is based on the finger on the pulse of the people. We listen to more and more people. Understand their needs and their aspirations. So we did not allow the policy to come under pressure from populist sentiments. ■

ANOTHER DIMENSION ADDED TO THE EXPRESSWAY OF DEVELOPMENT



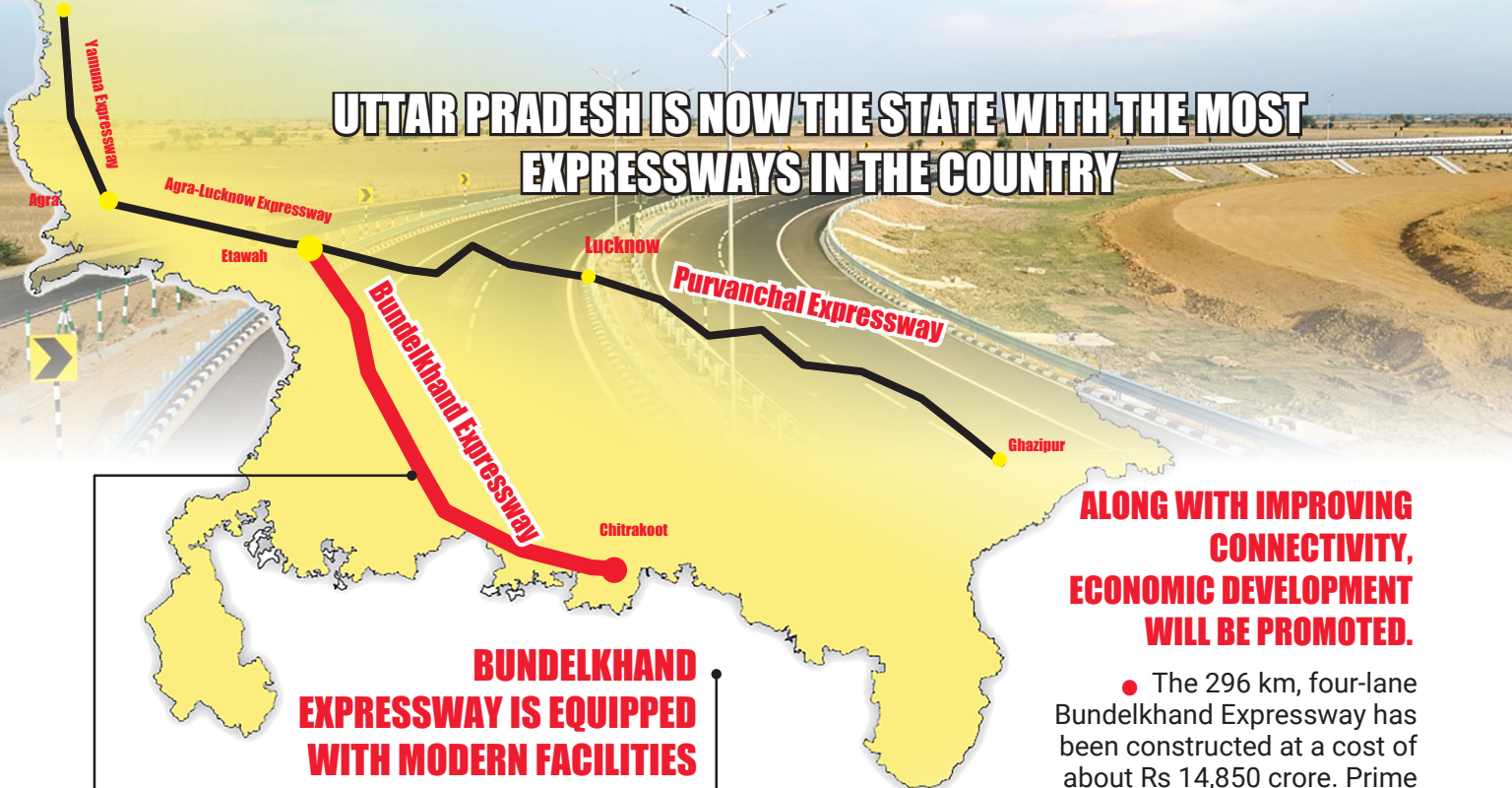
An expressway not only shortens the distance between two points, but it also carries a new story of development through them. That is why an expressway not only accelerates the wheels of vehicles, but it also accelerates the economic development of the surrounding area. This time, the land of Bundelkhand, whose identity was once only dry fields, ponds, and ravines, has found this pace of development. However, whether it is the dream of the Ken-Betwa link project or the new impetus to economic development in the form of the expressway on July 16th, Bundelkhand is no longer forgotten, but is keeping pace with the country's development.

Lord Shri Ram is said to have passed through Bundelkhand. The land that gave birth to many warriors, including Alha-Udal, Maharaj Chhatrasal, and Laxmibai, who lived their lives for the sake of the land. The land identified by great personalities like Isuri, poet Padmakar, Tulsidas, Maithili Sharan Gupta, Dr. Harisingh Gaur, also produced Major Dhyan Chand, the hockey wizard, to this country. However, Bundelkhand has long been recognised as a symbol of backwardness in the country.

However, this identity is changing, and the credit goes to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's commitment. After approving irrigation projects, Har Ghar Nal Se Jal, the Defense Corridor, and the Ken-Betwa link, Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave a new gift in the form of the Bundelkhand Expressway, which he inaugurated in Jalaun's Kaitheri village on July 16. This four-lane highway will connect Chitrakoot (NH-35), Banda, Mahoba, Hamirpur, Jalaun, Auraiya, and Etawah.

The expressway in Etawah connects to the Lucknow-Agra Expressway near Kudrail. Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of this expressway on February 29, 2020. Inaugurating this expressway, which was completed in a record time of 28 months, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, "The distance from Chitrakoot to Delhi has been reduced by about 3-4 hours by the Bundelkhand Expressway, but its benefits are much more than that." This expressway will not only give speed to the vehicles, but it is also going to accelerate the industrial progress of the entire Bundelkhand. Many industries are going to be established on both sides of this expressway. Storage

UTTAR PRADESH IS NOW THE STATE WITH THE MOST EXPRESSWAYS IN THE COUNTRY



BUNDELKHAND EXPRESSWAY IS EQUIPPED WITH MODERN FACILITIES

- On both sides of this expressway, a 110-metre-wide right-of-way has been constructed, where solar energy will be available. This expressway also has interchanges at 13 points for entry and exit.
- Four railway overbridges, 19 flyovers, and 224 underpasses have been built at strategic points along the expressway. Petrol stations and public facilities are being built in four locations. Along with this, service roads for the locals have been built.
- Intensive plantation will be done around the expressway, as well as the establishment of investment parks and factories. The Bundelkhand Expressway will accelerate the aspirations of the entire state of Uttar Pradesh and the entire country. Special arrangements have been made to ensure the safety of expressway passengers.

ALONG WITH IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WILL BE PROMOTED.

● The 296 km, four-lane Bundelkhand Expressway has been constructed at a cost of about Rs 14,850 crore. Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid its foundation stone in February 2020. It can later be expanded to six lanes.

- The expressway's construction was completed in 28 months, well ahead of the target of 36 months. The construction of industrial corridors alongside the expressway in the Banda and Jalaun districts has also begun.

1225 KMS OF OPERATING EXPRESSWAY

The Purvanchal Expressway, which has changed the picture of Purvanchal, is the longest expressway in the state with a length of 341 km. ● Agar-Lucknow Expressway, 302 kms. ● Yamuna expressway-165 kms. ● Delhi-Meerut Expressway-96 kms. ● Noida-Greater Noida Expressway-25 kms.

EXPRESSWAY UNDER CONSTRUCTION, 1974 KMS

- Gorakhpur Link Expressway -91 kms. ● Ganga Expressway 594 Kms. ● Lucknow-Kanpur Expressway-63 kms. ● Ghaziabad-Kanpur Expressway-380 kms. ● Gorakhpur-Siliguri Expressway, 519 kms. ● Delhi-Saharanpur-Dehradun Expressway 210 kms ● Ghazipur-Ballia-Manjhihat Expressway, 117 kms.

SHIFT IN ATTITUDE TOWARD BIG CITY'S RIGHTS TO MODES OF TRANSPORTATION

There was a time when it was believed that only big cities had the first right to modern means of transport. Be it Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Hyderabad or Delhi, who gets everything. But, in the last eight years, the government's thinking has shifted. Uttar Pradesh is a prime example of this. The Bundelkhand Expressway connects Chitrakoot, Banda, Hamirpur, Mahoba, Jalaun, Auraiya, and Etawah, whereas the Purvanchal Expressway connects Lucknow with Barabanki, Amethi, Sultanpur, Ayodhya, Ambedkarnagar, Azamgarh, Mau, and Ghazipur. Ambedkarnagar, Sant Kabirnagar, and Azamgarh are all connected by the Gorakhpur Link Expressway. Meerut, Hapur, Bulandshahr, Amroha, Badaun, Shahjahanpur, Hardoi, Unnao, Rae Bareilly, Pratapgarh, and Prayagraj will be linked by the newly constructed Ganga Expressway.

facilities and cold storage facilities are going to be built here.

The Bundelkhand Expressway will make it very easy to establish agro-based industries in this area. The farm produce will also be easy to transport

to new markets. This will also help a lot with the Defense Corridor being built in Bundelkhand. This expressway, in other words, will connect every corner of Bundelkhand to development, self-employment, and new opportunities. ■



PM DAKSH SCHEME

FROM SKILL TO EMPLOYMENT...

Equality is both a value and a right. Despite this, a large segment of society has been denied the benefit of equality since independence. All of the central government's schemes, the benefits of which should have reached this section, did not. When Prime Minister Narendra Modi took charge of the country in 2014, following the principle of Antyodaya, the benefits of every scheme started reaching the last person in society. The Pradhan Mantri Daksh Yojana marked a new beginning on August 7, 2021. The goal was to empower rag pickers, backward classes, scheduled castes, de-notified tribes, and economically backward target groups by providing skill development training. This scheme is aimed to benefit 2.7 lakh young people over the course of five years.

One such subject that is in desperate need of attention today is skill development. The Skill Development Mission and the new National Education Policy were launched with the goal of promoting skill development as well as youth education. However, there was still a segment of society whose skill development was not prioritised. The Pradhan Mantri Daksh Yojana has been launched to fulfil the dream of economic advancement of this section. The skill development programme for these categories has been divided into four sections.

FIRST: To provide financial and digital literacy to rural artisans, scavengers, etc. through up-skilling and re-skilling. Apart from this, they are also given training in pottery, weaving, carpentry, household work etc. This training programme is 32 to 80 hours.

SECOND: Under short-term training, training is given for 200 hours to 600 hours and 6 months in self-employment areas like tailoring, furniture manufacturing, and food processing.

THIRD: Through the Entrepreneurship Development Program, skill training is given

INITIATIVES TAKEN UNDER THE PRADHAN MANTRI DAKSH YOJANA

- The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has launched the Pradhan Mantri-Daksh Portal and Pradhan Mantri-Daksh Mobile App. With all the information related to the scheme, interested candidates can register themselves on pmdaksh.dosje.gov.in or by downloading the mobile app "PM-Daksh" from the Google Play Store.
- The applicant should be a permanent resident of India. His age should be between 18 and 45 years.
- The applicant should be from a Scheduled Tribe, Scheduled Caste, Other Backward Class, Economically Backward Class, Safai Karamchari, Nomadic, Semi-Nomadic etc.
- If the applicant is from another backward class, then the annual income of the applicant's family should be 3 lakhs or less.
- If the applicant is from an economically backward class, then the annual income of the applicant's family should be Rs 1 lakh or less.
- Beneficiaries do not need to pay any kind of fee to get the benefit of this scheme. The benefit of this scheme can be availed only once.
- It also assists in providing employment opportunities with certification to those receiving training.

PM-DAKSH PORTAL: BOTH INFORMATION AND MONITORING TOGETHER

- All information related to skill development for Scheduled Castes, Backward Classes, and Safai Karamcharis has been made available in one place through the PM-Daksh portal.
- In addition, any beneficiary can now get information about skill development training that is happening near him/her with a single click and easily register his/her name for skill training. The facility to upload necessary documents related to personal information is available here.
- Facilitated recording of trainees' attendance through face and eye scanning during the training period.
- During the training program, photos and video clips are used to facilitate monitoring.
- The scheme is implemented by three corporations under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation, National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation, and National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation are the names of these organizations.

BENEFITS OF PM DAKSH YOJNA



ARTISANS: By getting training in their business, they can be able to earn more income.



WOMEN: Can go into self-employment. This could make her financially strong.



YOUTH FROM TARGET GROUPS: Can receive long-term training and expertise in employable occupations that can lead to better jobs.

to those youth of Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes whose thinking is entrepreneurial. The duration of this programme will be 80 to 90 hours, or 10 to 15 days.

FOURTH: Through a long-term program, training is provided in those areas which have good demand in the market such as: production technology, plastic processing, garment technology, health care sector, etc. The duration of this programme will be 5 months or more or 1 year (1000 hours).

A stipend is also given to the trainees under the scheme. If the trainee's attendance is 80% during the reskilling and upskilling training program, then Rs 2500 is given to the trainee in this situation. Under the Entrepreneurship Development Program, if the trainee's attendance is at least 80%, then Rs. 100 per day is given to the trainee. The trainee of the scheduled caste receives Rs. 1500 per month under the short-term and long-term training programs. ■



MY FRIEND, SHINZO ABE

With the untimely demise of former Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, who was honoured with India's civilian award, "Padma Vibhushan," the world has lost a global politician, an outstanding leader, and an able administrator who dedicated his life to making Japan and the world a better place. As a mark of deep respect for Shinzo Abe, the Indian government observed a day of national mourning on July 9, the day after his death. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's friendship with Shinzo Abe began during his tenure as Chief Minister of Gujarat and grew stronger over time. PM Modi posted an emotional blog about his friend Shinzo Abe's tragic death.

Shinzo Abe - an outstanding leader of Japan, a towering global statesman, and a great champion of India-Japan friendship - is not among us anymore. Japan and the world have lost a great visionary. And, I have lost a dear friend.

I first met him in 2007, during my visit to Japan as the Chief Minister of Gujarat. Right from that first meeting, our friendship went beyond the trappings

of office and the shackles of official protocol.

Our visit to Toji temple in Kyoto, our train journey on the Shinkansen, our visit to the Sabarmati Ashram in Ahmedabad, the Ganga Aarati in Kashi, the elaborate tea ceremony in Tokyo, the list of our memorable interactions is indeed long.

And, I will always cherish the singular honour of having been invited to his family home in Yamanashi

prefecture, nestled among the foothills of Mt. Fuji.

Even when he was not the Prime Minister of Japan between 2007 and 2012, and more recently after 2020, our personal bond remained as strong as ever.

Every meeting with Abe San was intellectually stimulating. He was always full of new ideas and invaluable insights on governance, economy, culture, foreign policy, and various other subjects.

His counsel inspired me in my economic choices for Gujarat. And, his support was instrumental in building Gujarat's vibrant partnership with Japan.

Later on, it was my privilege to work with him to bring about an unprecedented transformation of the strategic partnership between India and Japan. From a largely narrow, bilateral economic relationship, Abe San helped turn it into a broad, comprehensive one, which not only covered every field of national endeavour, but became pivotal for our two countries' and the region's security. For him, this was one of the most consequential relationships for the people of our two countries and the world. He was resolute in pursuing the civil nuclear agreement with India – a most difficult one for his country – and decisive in offering the most generous terms for the High Speed Rail in India. As in most important milestones in independent India's journey, he ensured that Japan is there side by side as New India accelerates its growth.

His contribution to India-Japan relations was richly recognised by the conferment upon him of the prestigious Padma Vibhushan in 2021.

Abe San had a deep insight into the complex and multiple transitions taking place in the world, the vision to be ahead of his time to see its impact on politics, society, economy and international relations, the wisdom to know the choices that were to be made, the capacity to make clear and bold decisions even in the face of conventions and the rare ability to carry his people and the world with him. His far-reaching policies - Abenomics - reinvigorated the Japanese economy and re-ignited the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship of his people.

Among his greatest gifts to us and his most enduring legacy, and one for which the world will always be indebted, is his foresight in recognising the

changing tides and gathering storm of our time and his leadership in responding to it. Long before others, he, in his seminal speech to the Indian Parliament in 2007, laid the ground for the emergence of the Indo Pacific region as a contemporary political, strategic and economic reality - a region that will also shape the world in this century.

And, he led from the front in building a framework and architecture for its stable and secure, peaceful and prosperous future, based on values that he deeply cherished – respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, adherence to international law and rules, peaceful conduct of international relations in a spirit of equality and shared prosperity through deeper economic engagement.

The Quad, the ASEAN-led forums, the Indo Pacific Oceans Initiative, the India-Japan Development Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific, including Africa and the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure all benefited from his contributions. Quietly and without fanfare, and overcoming hesitation at home and scepticism abroad, he transformed Japan's strategic engagement, including in defence, connectivity, infrastructure and sustainability, across the Indo Pacific region. For that, the region is more optimistic about its destiny and the world more confident about its future.

During my Japan visit in May this year, I had the opportunity to meet Abe San, who had just taken over as the Chair of the Japan-India Association. He was his usual self - energetic, captivating, charismatic and very witty. He had innovative ideas on how to further strengthen the India-Japan friendship. When I said goodbye to him that day, little did I imagine that it would be our final meeting.

I will always be indebted for his warmth and wisdom, grace and generosity, friendship and guidance, and I will miss him dearly.

We in India mourn his passing as one of our own, just as he embraced us with an open heart. He died doing what he loved the most – inspiring his people. His life may have been cut short tragically, but his legacy will endure forever.

I extend heart-felt condolences on behalf of the people of India and on my own behalf to the people of Japan, especially to Mrs. Akie Abe and his family. Om Shanti. ■



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Mr. Modi also took the occasion to convey his gr

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The greatest pain in the world is being separated from loved ones. When the country gained independence around seven decades ago, it brought with it the same agony that forced the separation of many loved ones. It is said that during this time, lakhs of lives were lost in the violence that erupted on both sides of India and Pakistan, and lakhs of people had lost their homes. In their honour, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared August 14th as Partition Vibhishika Memorial Day, so that our future generations can commemorate this day in order to eliminate the poison of discrimination, animosity, and ill-will.

“'Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Divas' will continue to remind us of the importance of eradicating social discrimination and disharmony, as well as strengthening unity, social harmony, and human sensibilities.”

Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

